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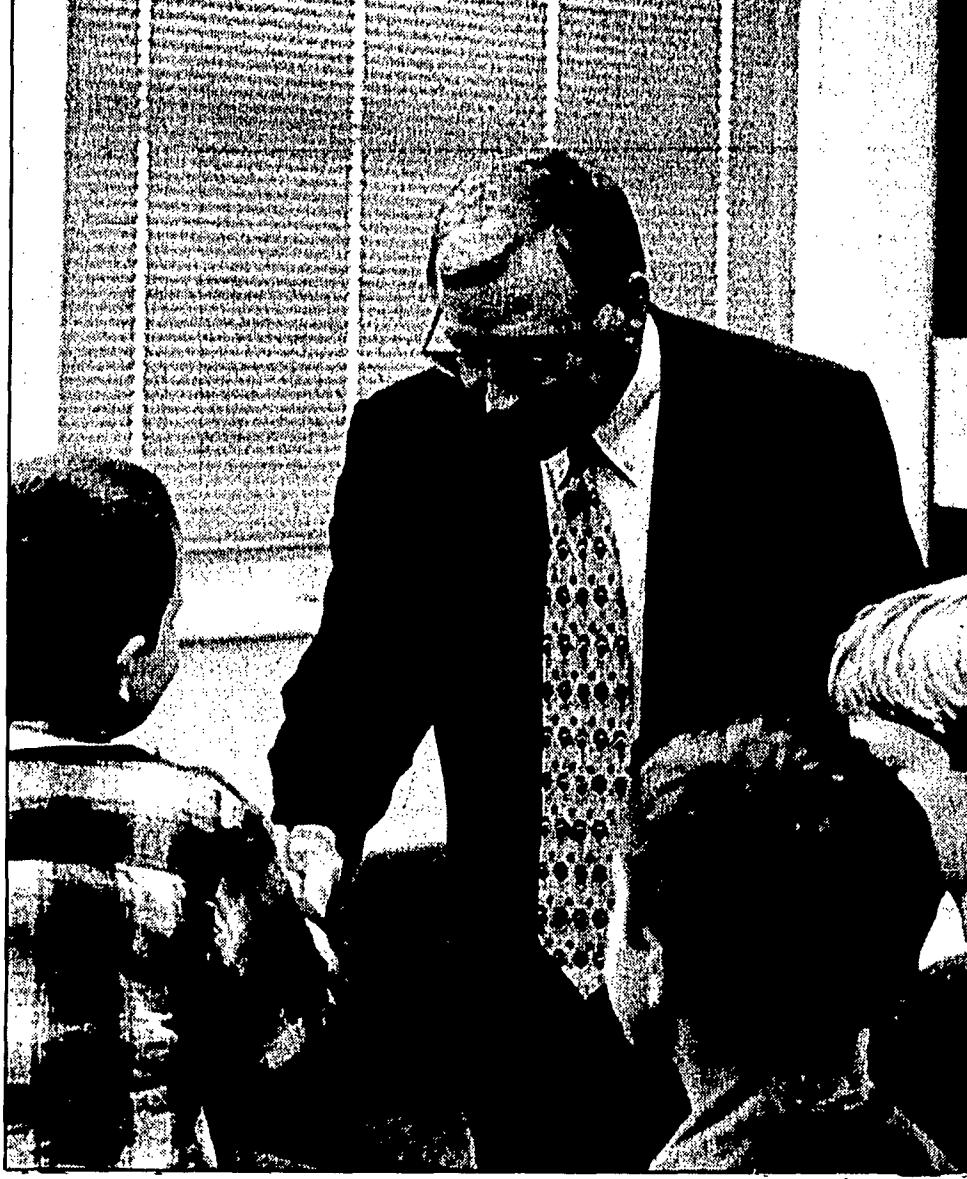
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■ Mel Carnahan, governor of Missouri

Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan
Joins Bridget Brown (left),
Beth Wheeler and
University President
Dean Hubbard for a
tour of the
International Plaza.
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Governor visits, explains position

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

The first question a Horace Mann Lab School fourth-level student from Saudi Arabia wanted answered when he heard Governor Mel Carnahan would be visiting was what a governor is.

Carnahan went about defining his role by explaining the difference between state and federal governments.

"The elected person to run a state is called a governor," Carnahan said. "The elected person who runs the country is called a president. We have a lot of other states, 50 states, in our country. And really a lot of governmental functions are done by the states."

Carnahan visited Horace Mann and Nodaway County Senior Cen-

ter Tuesday on his trip to endorse two local Democrats, Beth Wheeler, state Senate candidate, and Bridget Brown, state Representative candidate.

University President Dean Hubbard greeted Carnahan at the International Plaza and took him to Horace Mann, where Carnahan read to students. Carnahan was pleased with Northwest, especially the electronic campus and math and science departments.

"I have always been an admirer of the University," Carnahan said. "Of course, their winning of the (Missouri) Quality Award was not an accident. That was a huge undertaking for the University to earn that. And then of course, they do a lot of networking with the schools,

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Politicians debate on TV

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

Missouri's 12th district senatorial race heated up when the two candidates debated live on KQ2 Wednesday night.

It was the first televised showdown between Republican incumbent Sam Graves and Democratic challenger Beth Wheeler.

The winner of the Nov. 3 election will be the representative for 16 counties in northwest Missouri. Both said the debate was an excellent opportunity to let voters know about their views.

While Wheeler said some questions were based on false advertisements, Graves said he had evidence to back his paid announcements.

A main difference appeared in a means to achieve the district's better representation.

"I heard Senator Graves' representatives say we don't want friends in Jefferson City and don't be misled," Wheeler said. "The way you compete for limited resources is by getting more people on your team and by letting them understand your district, presenting it in a way they understand, learning about their district and what their needs are and how we match up together and how we can work cooperatively together. We need to build relationships, not point fingers and heckle from the stands."

However, Graves was opposed to Wheeler's

For more information regarding the views of candidates for state Senate and Representative, see page 3.

political strategy.

"If you go to Jefferson City to get along, you're going to get run over every time," Graves said. "I think an individual ought to go down and fight for what we need, and that is northwest Missouri, the 12th district. I'm a representative of the people of the 12th district to Jefferson City. I do not represent Jefferson City back to the people of the 12th district, and I think that's a very important difference."

The two candidates expressed their impacts on Northwest. Graves said his record in the legislature proves he helped raise money for the University.

"In the years I've been at the legislature, it's (Northwest funding) gone up 47.6 percent. That is almost \$9 million," Graves said. "I don't think it has hurt one bit. Again, you get in there and fight for the needs of your district."

On the other side, Wheeler said Graves cannot claim responsibility for the increase, because the University developed a positive relationship with the legislators and the state government.

"I was working at Northwest Missouri State University, and one of the things I got to do was work with the legislature and the governor's office to get a good recommendation from the governor and to follow that all the way through," Wheeler said. "So I'm not sure (Graves) can take credit for all that."

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Student dies in car wreck; University mourns loss

by Lindsey Corey
News Editor

Just last week he was chatting with classmates. Now his seat is empty and members of the Northwest family are trying to deal with the loss of a fellow student and friend.

"Not only was he well-liked, a lot of people loved him," Quinton Evans, agricultural science major, said. "He lived his short life to the fullest."

McCaren (Mac) Cummings died Sunday as a result of injuries suffered in a one-car accident Saturday.

At approximately 3:10 a.m. Saturday, the 20-year-old physical education major drove his truck off the right edge of Route B in his hometown, Perry. He then overcorrected, crossed the center line and struck a tree on the left side of the road, toppling his 1983 Chevrolet S-10, according to Missouri Highway Patrol reports.

Perry Police and Ralls County Sheriff's departments assisted at the scene. Details of the accident are still under investigation by Roland

Bartels, Highway Patrolman.

Cummings was transported to University of Missouri Hospitals and Clinics in Columbia to undergo surgery. He died there at 4:17 a.m. Sunday.

Memorial services were Wednesday in Perry.

"He was the type of guy who would want everybody to move on and remember the good times," Evans said. "He always had fun at what he did."

Cummings graduated from Mark Twain High School in Center in 1996. Since he was active in athletics, a memorial fund was named in his honor to support the high school's athletic department.

"He was just a good kid. He wasn't a stand-out athlete. He wasn't a stand-out student," said Larry Rawlings, high school athletic director. "I never heard him say a bad thing about anybody. He was always a pleasure to be around."

Memorials can be sent to Mac Cummings Memorial Fund, in care of Mark Twain High School Athletic Department, 21622 Highway 19, Center, Mo. 63436.

"It's chaos," she said. "We can no longer predictably determine what's going to happen next. We really can't plan for a definite, the most you can plan for is chaos."

O'Leary went on to ask the audience to raise their hands if they were planning on working for America's corporate companies.

She then asked the audience how many people they believe will be working in corporate offices by 2020. The audience eagerly shouted out their guesses.

"Fifteen," O'Leary said. "And 50 percent of you will be self-employed."

She then posed the question to the audience, "How do you lead a group of people who have been working for themselves?"

"It's scary isn't it?" O'Leary said. "No measuring real progress over time. No decisions that determine how much salary you get next time, because this may be the only time. That's a big challenge to lead people."

O'Leary then focused on how to succeed in the future. She said, "If you are not planning to go global then you're gonna get left behind."

Over 60 percent of the world's population is going to be coming from Asia by the year 2000, O'Leary said.

"If you don't know Chinese, at least have the ability to communicate in another language, or on another level," she said.

O'Leary then pointed out that soon gender and racial biases will not be so prevalent, because people will be doing business via e-mail instead of flying around the globe.

"The question in the future will be, what is the capability of the person?" she said. "I believe there will be an open opportunity for everybody."

O'Leary closed her lecture with her thoughts on what a leader should be.

"A leader inspires a nation," she said. "It's about seeing an uncertain future and bringing some order to it."

'Cats prepare to face rival; pressure will be on Pitt State

by Colin McDonough
Contributing Reporter

This week's football contest at Rickenbode Stadium will be a clash of two MIAA titans.

The No. 3 ranked Northwest Bearcats will entertain Division II and MIAA power-house No. 18 Pittsburg State at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Maryville.

Northwest is undefeated at 7-0, while the Gorillas come in with a 5-1 mark. Pitt State has not lost more than one game in a conference season since joining the MIAA in 1989. Emporia State knocked off the Gorillas in both teams' conference openers.

Bearcat head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said the brunt of the pressure is going to be on the Gorillas.

"Their backs are against the wall," Tjeerdsma said. "If they go to two losses, their chances of winning the conference outright are gone. They could tie but that would be unlikely."

Senior center and captain Steve Copfinger said the Gorillas have to win this game if they want their season to continue into the postseason.

"If they lose, they'll only be playing 11 games this season," Copfinger said. "We control our own destiny. If we win every game, we'll be in the playoffs. They, on the other hand, are counting on everybody else."

The game is big for many reasons including a change of power atop the MIAA and the drive to the national championship for the Bearcats.

"We are where we want to be and this would be a big win because of the magnitude of the season," Tjeerdsma said. "I don't feel we have to prove ourselves with



Former Bearcat football player Kraig Evans (left) runs through offensive drills with other players during a practice session. The 'Cats have two days left before their showdown with the Pittsburg State Gorillas. In their last meeting, the 'Cats defeated Pitt State 15-14 in the fourth quarter. Kick off will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Barcus has made 12 of 14 field goal attempts this season.

Offensively, the Gorillas execute well and have a ball control type offense which could hinder Northwest's offense, Tjeerdsma said.

"Defensively, we have to play well because I don't think we can allow them to control the football," Tjeerdsma said. "If they keep their offense on the field it will keep our offense off the field. So we are going to need some three and outs from our defense."

Junior safety David Carlson said the Bearcats will be challenged on the defensive side of the ball Saturday.

"Their quarterback (Zach Siegrist) is good at running the option," Carlson said. "Then if he pitches the ball, the running backs are fast if they get outside. But (Siegrist) can then step back and throw it up to (Douglas) Hix. They are really balanced."

Home field advantage has not been a factor in the last two clashes between the 'Cats and Gorillas, with the visiting team winning both games.

"It always helps to play on your home field," Andy Erpelding, sophomore tackle, said of the Rickenbode clash. "The fans will be backing you up and you want to perform well for them."

Tjeerdsma said he thinks playing at the friendly confines of Rickenbode Stadium will benefit the Bearcats and their fans.

"I'm thrilled we're playing at home because that is really good for this community and the program," Tjeerdsma said. "It's great to have a game of this magnitude on our campus and hopefully it will be nice weather."

Mother Nature has not acted kindly the past two years with driving rainfall influencing the outcome of both contests.

"We'd like to have a nice, dry day," Tjeerdsma said.

"From our standpoint, we want to throw the football, and you probably want to do that on a dry day that's conducive to that, rather than a soaked field and a downpour."

No matter what, one thing is for sure: whomever wins this ballgame will have the inside track to the MIAA championship and a probable home-field advantage in the playoffs.

Wal-Mart company expresses interest in expanding locally

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

The Maryville Wal-Mart is looking at the possibilities of expanding its store and becoming a Super Wal-Mart sometime in the near future.

If the store were to expand, that would mean it would also sell food products in addition to the usual clothing and household items. Daphne Davis, spokeswoman at Wal-Mart headquarters in Bentonville, Ark., said Wal-Mart is interested in expanding its Maryville store.

"We're looking at it," Davis said. "We're evaluating the market."

According to Joe Gentry, an assistant store manager, the store has been contacted about headquarters' consideration of possible local expansion, although no definite plans have been set.

However, this is just a preplanning stage, and there is no schedule as of yet for expansion implementation, Davis said.

"We're aware of the opportunities to expand," Davis said. "But I'm just not aware of any immediate plan right now."

Grocery stores in town have different stands on the Super Wal-Mart issue. John's Hometown Market may be forced to close if Wal-Mart is expanded to include selling groceries. Store Manager John Kersey said.

"Personally, we will close the store," Kersey said. "They have a tendency to drive a little guy out of business."

Jerry Veer, Food-4-Less store manager, said the new Wal-Mart would affect business to some extent, but it would not be a threat.

"We have to do what we have to do," Veer said.

Wal-Mart was built in Maryville 12 years ago. It made renovations and extended its store hours last year.

Our View

Safety problems need attention

In light of events around the nation and on this campus lately, safety concerns should be taking top priority.

Northwest is safer than many campuses, but it still has its share of problems.

A week before Homecoming, a resident of Roberta Hall came home to find a man in her shower. During Homecoming weekend, a Franken Hall resident had three men enter her room while her roommate had stepped out for a minute.

Fortunately, neither of the women were harmed, and the unwanted guests left when the women screamed. They were lucky. Anything could have happened to them in that type of situation.

Precautions could have been, and should have been, taken to prevent the men from entering the rooms.

In a letter to the editor from Jaime VanBelkum in the *Missourian* last week, more concerns for students' safety at Northwest were addressed.

The letter discussed a routine traffic stop made by Campus Safety.

VanBelkum was concerned about the conduct of Campus Safety and how they treated her sister.

Her sister's friend was pulled over and arrested for driving while intoxicated. VanBelkum said her sister was told she would have to walk home alone at 1:30 a.m., because she said she was unable to drive.

After talking with Campus Safety, it seems they simply followed policy.

They only escort people to destinations on campus, and VanBelkum's sister would have had to go off campus. Officers said they asked VanBelkum's sister, if they could, call someone to give her a ride, but she didn't ask for anyone.

Added to that, they only had one dispatcher and one officer on patrol that night due to illness; therefore, they didn't have the man power to escort someone on campus. So, it was routine.

But, we don't think that routine is as safe as it should be. It was Homecoming weekend, the biggest event at Northwest all year, and the woman was intoxicated.

Regardless if it is policy or not, someone should have made sure she made it safely home.

Maryville Public Safety follows a similar policy. Rarely do they escort people. Usually, they let them walk or offer to call someone for them.

Maybe it is the offenders' faults they are in these situations in the first place, but we

don't think young women, or men for that matter, should be made to walk home alone in the early hours of the morning. That isn't safe, no matter what policy says.

Another safety issue at Northwest is emergency phone access. There is supposed to be a phone in the foyer of every building. There isn't.

Many of the buildings have phones located beyond the foyer; although, this serves no purpose when the building closes for the evening.

We want to know how effective phones inside the building are. Why doesn't Northwest install emergency phones on campus, outside of the buildings?

Although Campus Safety wouldn't be involved in a final decision regarding the installation of emergency telephones, they did tell us the idea has been discussed and they have weighed the options. However, due to the estimated cost and the possible threat of vandalism, it wouldn't be beneficial to the University.

Let's take a chance and try it. We never know for sure if it will be beneficial until we try.

On a positive note, lighting on campus is improving.

The addition of more than 65 new lights in various locations will drastically improve safety conditions on campus.

We applaud the additions and challenge the University to keep them in good working order in the future.

Still, people can blame whomever they want for lapses in safety; however, the fact remains that safety begins with individuals first.

Be responsible for yourself. When leaving your home, make sure the door is locked. When you come home, lock the door behind you.

Walk in groups, and if that isn't an option, stay alert, and be aware of what's going on around you.

If you are going to drink, please don't drive. That's a simple rule people need to follow. If you aren't worried about yourself, think about everyone else out on the roads.

Don't let people you don't know into your home. Always ask who it is first.

The safety of those who attend Northwest is in everyone's hands.

We hope Campus Safety will re-evaluate some of its policies, that the University will look into better placement of emergency phones, that lights will continue to be added, and most importantly, that people will start taking responsibility for themselves and anticipating what could happen.

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TRUE STORIES FROM the MEN & WOMEN of MARYVILLE P.D.
It was a really tough ordeal, the calls both came in at the same time. College kids having a wild party, you know, perverse acts, satanism, underage drinking.

The other call wasn't any better.

Some high school hoodlums loitering around some local food joints, exposing themselves and probably selling narcotics. You never know these days. I called in for backup to one of the 50 other officers on duty that night and we handled the situation.

It's a tough town here, folks would be surprised.

Viewpoint

'Cats ready for rival game, fan support imperative



■ John Yates
Students need to show enthusiasm against Pittsburg State

First of all I would like to commend the students. Up to this point of the football season, you have been a huge asset in Rickenbode Stadium. Just a few short years ago, we, the administration and athletic departments, were scratching our heads trying to get students to the games. And now, some want to control. Hey, I want to say thanks for coming and keep up the enthusiasm. It has been noticed, appreciated and will make a difference these last few games.

Now for my intended message: The season up to this point has gone pretty much as expected, and this Saturday, Pittsburg State will walk into Rickenbode for a game with MIAA, regional and national implications. Not only do they expect to win, they plan on dominating us. Their fans plan on covering the stadium with red and gold.

Last year's win in Pittsburg, to them, was a fluke. To them, we are not the team to beat. They remember two years ago, when they stood alone in line for tickets in pouring rain. They remember not only the outcome, but how they walked into our house and did anything they wanted to.

So how far have we fans come in the Tjeerdema era? Sure we expect to win, and why not? We have some of the finest student athletes and an outstanding coaching staff that we are blessed to have kept this long. Our coaches and athletes expect to win as well. We know how far they have come, but have we as fans made the same strides?

Winning is a learning process for all involved, including the fans. We are

there in numbers, and sitting comfortably is not an option for us to dominate. When you hear Ken White announce, "and that's good for another Bearcat..." you should send that FIRST DOWN across to the opposing sideline loud, proud and strong. Every third down when we are on defense is a time for us to get up and create noise nonstop. When Bobby Bearcat gets lifted to do push-ups, that's our opportunity to remind our guests just how many points we have. When the band plays our fight song, get up, put your hands together; that's our time to celebrate. So spell out B-E-A-R-C-A-T-S so loud that all of downtown knows we just scored. When you hear the students start off by chanting B-E-A-R, we finish C-A-T-S.

Players and coaches may not hear everything, but they can feel the emotion and it does drive them to go further than before. We're getting better, but we are not at the level of those we are supporting. If we want to dominate, like Pitt State, then we need to beat them at their own game. When they show up Saturday, do not back down. There is a new king of the MIAA, and you as fans need to remind them, as well as every other team we face. Energy is contagious and if you're the opposition, it can be intimidating.

Be the difference, make the Bearcats as proud of us as we are of them. You hear the chant "Whose house?" You can best believe it's "Our house!"

John Yates is the assistant director of admissions and cheerleading coach.

My Turn

Sports fanatics urged to lighten up; should keep in mind it's just a game



■ Joni Jones

E-mail lists regarding Division II football matchups get way out of hand

If there is one thing I have learned during the past year, it is that men love their sports.

They live and die by how well their favorite teams do in the polls each week. I've never seen one event make grown men cry like babies or bring down the house with their joyous yell after a touchdown.

I, on the other hand, say that sports shouldn't be taken so seriously, and I think you will see why as you read more of this column.

The fact remains that sports are like a religion to men. They worship the teams, pray for their success and safety and rejoice when salvation finds their Gridiron Challenge receiver in the end zone.

And with Internet sites that let people pick who's going to win each week, with prizes ranging from money, points or just bragging rights, like the Gridiron Challenge, Fantasy Football and Pigskin Picks, worshipping sports doesn't just happen in living rooms any more.

He is part of a Division II e-mail list. The list is a bunch of guys (and some girls) from Division II schools who talk trash, hype up their respective teams and make challenges regarding upcoming games.

Two e-mails he received this week from some charming individual who attends Pittsburg State, and signs his messages "Bad Ass Gorilla," reaffirmed my belief that people need to lighten up about sports and get a grip on their lives. Heed this: It's just a game.

It all started when my boyfriend wrote an e-mail regarding the Bearcats' upcoming game against Pitt State this weekend. I was actually quite proud of

the way it was written.

There were no lunatic ravings about how the Bearcats were the best in the division and how they would demolish Pitt State Saturday. Instead, it just said what a good game it was going to be. He even said the two teams were the "class of the MIAA."

However, the reply from "Bad Ass" had me thinking that serious counseling should be in his future.

He totally overreacted, and, amid the profanity, he managed to insult my boyfriend, the *Missourian*, Bearcat head coach Mel Tjeerdema, quarterback Chris Greisen and anyone who is from Texas before he was done. And the best part was how he ended the e-mail, "you better lock up your women and children next Saturday... so much for your afterglow."

What in the world does he mean by that? Does that scare anyone else?

Now do you see what I mean by some people taking sports a little too seriously?

Well, my boyfriend had to defend his team, so he wrote "Bad Ass" back a private message, and from what he told me, didn't stoop to the same level, but managed to get his point across. "Bad Ass" replied to him with even more vulgarities and profanity than before. This time, the insults extended to include the rest of the team and anyone who wasn't from Texas.

In my opinion, there is no need to take things to such an extreme level. It is just e-mail, and in my opinion it is all a little juvenile.

Sports fanatics need to calm down. I know sports are an important part of their lives, but it shouldn't rule their lives. And e-mails supporting matchups or hyping up a team should all be good fun — they shouldn't garner psychotic replies. Lighten up, it's just a game.

Joni Jones is the Managing Editor of The Northwest Missourian.



"I would like tougher crime laws passed."

David Szyhowski, psychology major



"Character is very important to me."

Turner Gary, sales



"They need to focus more on education in this area, rather than other areas."

Cammi Zimmerman, clerical

Correction: In the Oct. 15 edition of The Northwest Missourian, on publications, Janice J. Falcone was listed as a contributing writer but is a co-author. The Missourian

Election '98: Where they stand

State Senate District 12 candidates



Residence: Tarkio

Education: Bachelor's degree in agriculture, University of Missouri-Columbia

Experience, qualifications: Two years in the House of Representatives; four years in the Senate; farmer, father, small business owner

On running: To continue the fight for equity in education funding, lower taxes, less government and better roads and bridges.

On education: I am proud of the work that we have done for Northwest funding. They receive 47.6 percent more funding now than they did six years ago. That is an increase of over \$9 million every year. In K-12 education, I will continue to fight for our fair share of funding. I will not sit quietly while St. Louis and Kansas City continue to take our children's money.

On transportation: Continue to fight for completion of 15-year plan money. Stop the shift of state road and bridge dollars from our rural areas to urban mass transit systems.

On agriculture: We must continue to work for increased agricultural exports. In addition, value added and alternative crop incentive programs must continue to be funded by the general assembly.



Residence: Maryville

Education: Bachelor's degree from Missouri Western, master's degree from Central Missouri State

Experience, qualifications: State representative, 1986-92; director of legislative affairs for Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan, 1993-95; vice president for community relations at Northwest, 1995-98

On running: We deserve and need a voice that will be heard in state government. I believe north Missouri has been poorly represented in the Missouri Senate.

On education: We must assure that schools provide a safe and drug-free environment for students. Student achievement must continue to improve.

On transportation: Our district needs a capable, creative senator to guide and assist these projects in the general assembly, not someone who is a road block. My legislative experience and knowledge of the entire district allows me to be immediately effective.

On agriculture: A profitable agricultural economy is crucial not only to the people in our district but to our state and nation, as well. A safe, reliable and constant food supply is essential.

State Representative District 4 candidates



Residence: Maryville

Education: Trenton Junior College; Draughn Business College and traffic training course at Central Missouri State

Experience, qualifications: State representative elected in 1994 and 1996; Missouri State Highway Patrol officer for 32 years in northwest Missouri

On running: As a highway patrol officer, I've spent most of my adult life enforcing laws. I have thoroughly enjoyed participating in the process on making laws the last four years. I've been active in some of our most important legislation this session. I hope to continue that involvement for another term.

On education: I will support efforts to equalize the funding formula so that rural schools receive the same level of per pupil funding as urban schools do.

On transportation: Last summer I vice-chaired a task force on transportation. This investigation led to a bipartisan task force, resulting in the "MoDOT accountability" for completion of the 15-year plan dealing with improvement of our roads and bridges.

On agriculture: We must continue to seek new markets for our farm produce, as well as opportunities to add value to it, such as has been done with soy products and ethanol from corn.



Residence: Maryville

Education: Bachelor's degree in English from Sam Houston State; master's degree from Northwest

Experience, qualifications: Sixth year on the Maryville City Council, second year as Maryville mayor; Northwest Regional Council of Governments board member; Missouri Municipal League board of directors, northwest region past president

On running: I believe that we need a stronger voice and a greater vision in Jefferson City as we enter the 21st century. I believe my background in education, business and government and my conviction that we need a regional approach to future solutions qualify me to serve the people of northwest Missouri in this capacity.

On education: Vigilant representation of issues and funding that most directly affect our local schools. Vigorous support of higher education and its vital role in the future of Missouri, the nation and the world.

On transportation: A committed, consistent approach that includes local input and values the right of every citizen to safe, modern transportation, is the only plan we should support.

On agriculture: If we don't find a way to support small family farms, we give up the most unique resource that the Midwest has to offer.

Chamber of Commerce employs new executive director

by Ben Walker
Contributing Reporter

An addition to the Maryville Chamber of Commerce was made Monday.

Colleen Hastings, the new executive director, took over the position after Judy Brohammer resigned.

Hastings is excited about the new job and plans on "making Maryville an attractive place to live and work."

"I was ecstatic when I found out I got it," she said. "Maryville has so much to offer northwest Missouri."

Hastings currently resides in Cameron with her husband Tim, the principal of Nodaway-Holt Middle School. They have two children, Lindsey, 4, and Scott, 3. The family plans to move to Maryville soon.

Hastings grew up in Council Bluffs, Iowa. After high school, she went on to get her bachelor's degree in community and regional planning from Iowa State.

Following her college graduation, she worked many jobs including serving as the economic development coordinator in Maysville, ex-

ecutive director at the Lexington Industrial Development Corporation, where she worked closely with the Lexington Chamber of Commerce, and for several private employers and nonprofit organizations.

Brohammer gave up the position she had since January 1996 when her husband, Ron, was hired as Richmond's city manager. He was previously Maryville's assistant city manager and director of public works. Brohammer, who is training Hastings, will join her husband in Richmond Nov. 6.

"It's a mixture of anticipation and trepidation, like with any move," Brohammer said. "I'm anxious to get down there, but what I'll miss the most is the people, the members. I made a lot of very special friends who listened while I cried, and rejoiced when things went well."

Hastings has been impressed with Brohammer's work and hopes to follow in her footsteps.

"She's done a good job," Hastings said. "It will be hard to follow. I think I'll do a good job by bringing my skills and talents."

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In Brief

Blood drive Friday

The American Red Cross is having a blood drive from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Nodaway Senior Center, located at 1210 E. First St.

For more information or to schedule an appointment call 582-8160.

Flag added to Plaza

Dominica's flag was added to the International Plaza Monday, 10 days after the opening ceremony.

The flag did not arrive in time for the plaza's flag raising ceremony Oct. 9, because a Dominican Republic national flag was mistakenly sent.

Three Dominica students raised the flag, surrounded by approximately 20 faculty and students.

Although Dominica students were upset when their flag was not raised at the ceremony, they were satisfied with the outcome.

"I think it was timely," Vernie Greenaway said. "It was a mishap. I'm happy that we got the right flag finally."

Greeks bike for tikes

Alpha Sigma Alpha is sponsoring Bike for Tikes Saturday, at Lamkin Circle Drive.

Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the two mile bike/walk/run begins at 9 a.m.

There is a \$10 entry fee which includes a T-shirt. Proceeds go to S. June Smith Center in Lancaster, Penn. The center provides programs of early intervention to meet the needs of infants and pre-school age children with developmental and mental delays.

MCCA hosts forum

Maryville Citizens for Community Action and the Greater Maryville Chamber of Commerce invited national, state and local candidates to participate in a forum at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the second floor courtroom of the Nodaway County Courthouse.

Ballot initiatives will also be discussed and audience questions will be answered. Refreshments will be served.

For more information contact David McLaughlin at 562-1697 or Lisa Macal at 582-4490.

Shelter seeks cans

The Maryville Animal Shelter, managed by New Nodaway County Humane Society, is sponsoring a "Paws to Recycle" fund-raiser during the fall months. The drive involves recycling aluminum cans to be redeemed for money and pet food.

The local shelter is competing with others across the nation to draw attention to the environment, animals and earn \$3,000.

People are asked to bring clean cans to the shelter on Highway 36 east of Maryville Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, call 562-3333 or 582-7337.

Campus offers peak

The annual Sneak Preview for interested high school juniors and seniors will bring approximately 100 students to campus Saturday.

The day will begin at 9 a.m. in the Fine Arts Building. Prospective Northwest students will meet with professors and leaders of student organizations during a fair in Bearcat Arena. They will also tour campus, view a mock lecture and attend

the Bearcat football game. Information regarding admission requirements and financial aid will be available.

Club collects food

Maryville High School Key Club will be trick-or-treating for the Food Pantry from 7 to 8:15 p.m. Tuesday.

Key Club is a student service organization.

Group offers coats

Today's Civic Women will distribute coats of all sizes from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Armory on campus.

For more information about the Coats for Kids program, contact Diane Foster at 582-7775.

Fund drive underway

The annual fund drive for public radio stations KXCV and KRNW is this week. The fund drive helps with the costs of programming.

Station Manager Sharon Bonett said the station is asking listeners for about one-third of the total programming cost. The fund drive will run until the station signs off the air Saturday.

The station is on its way to a goal of \$38,000.

Boy dies by lightning

A 13-year-old St. Joseph boy died of a lightning strike to his body that stopped his heart Saturday, according to Andrew County Deputy Coroner Vicki Groce.

Chad Joseph Kendall was duck hunting with his uncle Saturday at the Nodaway Valley Conservation Area northwest of Fillmore, when he was struck by lightning at 7 a.m.

The uncle performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the two were taken to St. Francis Hospital by another hunter. Kendall was pronounced dead at the hospital.

S.O.S. event planned

Sigma Sigma Sigma will sponsor the fourth annual Speak Out for Stephanie "Walk for a Change" at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, beginning at the Conference Center.

S.O.S. Foundation founders Gene and Peggy Schmidt, Stephanie's parents, will address participants and the walk will immediately follow.

Refreshments provided by Hy-Vee will be available at the end of the walk.

Stanberry girl dies

Bobbi Jo Elizabeth Johnson, 7, Stanberry, died last Thursday at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

Family members and doctors speculate a brown recluse spider bite may have caused the second-grader's death.

An autopsy was performed that day but its results had not been released at press time.

Church plans dinner

St. Gregory's Church will sponsor its annual Fall Parish Dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The main courses will be turkey and ham. Meals are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children ages 6 through 12. Children under 5 years old eat free.



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Prime time comedians to perform on campus



by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

Laughter will fill Mary Linn Performing Arts Center tonight.

The Night of 1,000 Laughs will feature comedians Melanie Comarcho and Pablo Francisco at 7:30 p.m.

Bryan Vanosdale, student activities director, had a chance to see both Comarcho and Francisco at a convention for student activities. Vanosdale said they are extremely funny and have good credentials.

"They brought the house down," Vanosdale said. "They would be very entertaining to the students and hopefully they would have an enjoyable evening of laughs."

Comarcho has been performing for about five years. She has made

appearances on late night shows including "VIBE", "The Keenen Ivory Wayans Show," "It's Showtime at the Apollo" and "Def Comedy Jam." She also had a role in the motion picture "Money Talks" with Chris Tucker.

Her comedy act focuses on a woman's side of male-female relationships and with the aspects of being a single mother.

"She is not silly," Comarcho's agent Jeff Carroll said. "She is straight up. She keeps it real."

Aside from Northwest, Comarcho has toured many major universities.

Francisco has appeared at The Improv, Comedy and Magic Club and The Comedy Store. He also produced a compact disc.

Tickets are on sale for \$5 at the door or at Student Services.

■ Melanie Comarcho

■ Pablo Francisco

Virtual party proves inciteful

by Kimberly Mansfield
Missourian Reporter

Music is heard over the tinkling of glasses and the friendly chatter of the people mingling. It's a virtual party called Alcohol 101.

This party is available to students in the library on reserve and the front desk of each residence hall.

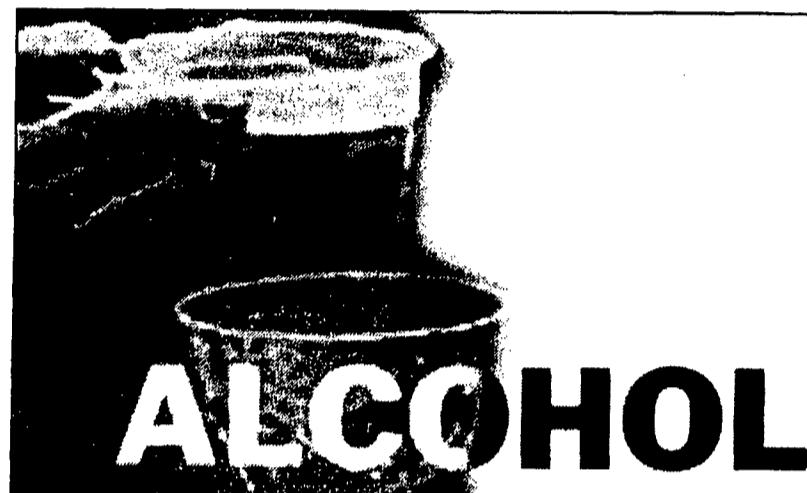
Alcohol 101 is a CD-ROM game that simulates a party with alcohol involved. As with any game, participants make choices that change the outcome of the game every time it's played.

At the beginning of the program, some basic questions have to be answered including age, weight, height and gender. The party music is the player's choice; options include country, urban, club or rock music.

A drinking plan must then be chosen. The decision to have a few drinks or to get wasted is up to the player. How much food has been consumed and how the player is feeling are the following questions to be answered. The player also reveals how much alcohol they consume in an average week. Next, the player gets to guess the average amount of alcohol the average male or female college student consumes in a week.

Upon arrival at the virtual party, the virtual bar is displayed and drinks are chosen. At this point, the player can choose as little or as much to drink as desired, without any consequences. After choosing a drink, the decision of whether to sip, drink or slam the alcohol is presented. As the alcohol is being consumed, a sidebar shows the player's blood alcohol content and the effects that would be felt from that amount of alcohol.

Some of the effects of taking in that much alcohol are shown, including losing caution, impairment and physical control, passing out, going into a coma and finally dying, if the player chooses to drink to that point.



The bottom of the screen displays all the drinks that have been consumed.

The option of seeing things that could happen as a result of drinking too much is presented in several ways. The CD-ROM has interactive videos on overdose, drunk driving and unplanned sex. There is also a reality wall where players can pick a headline and view the corresponding article. One of the articles tells of a father's reaction to his child's death due to alcohol poisoning. Another tells of a student who drove drunk and is now disabled as a result.

It was created by students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the Century Council.

Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Carol Cowles wants students to reflect on their feelings and knowledge of alcohol use.

"What I see Alcohol 101 being able to do, is to give students more information about the impact of alcohol on their physical, psychological and social beings, so that they can make informed and responsible decisions," Cowles said.

She went on to say that we live in

a society that sends mixed messages about drinking.

"I see it as part of what I hope will be evolving into kind of a series of experiences that a student can learn from as they're putting together their own personal position on alcohol," she said.

Cowles thinks students pretend to know more about alcohol than they do because they're not comfortable saying they don't have information.

"I think it will be a real good way to get a lot of information in an entertaining and interactive style," Cowles said.

Millikan Hall Director Amber Monroe is one of the few who had the chance to review the program before it was released to students.

"I think it was pretty cool," Monroe said. "I think they're surprised at their blood alcohol content."

Monroe thinks students will be able to relate to Alcohol 101, because it is student made and it deals with student issues.

"It's a non-threatening way to learn about use of alcohol without experiencing consequences," Monroe said.

Food service majors are gaining experience providing high quality cuisine at the Friday Night Cafe. The menu combines American food with delicacies from other countries around the world.

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Group devotes extra time to helping prisoners out

by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

The purpose of one Northwest organization is to help free people who have been detained by their government for choosing to speak out about their nation's policies.

Amnesty International is a human rights group on campus.

The group has three goals for the school year awareness, recruiting and fund raising.

They want to make more students aware of the wrongful convictions happening around the world.

"I think Amnesty is a good organization because it is one of the few groups whose primary purpose is helping others and as well as creating awareness of human rights, abuses around the world," treasurer Kelly Grebe said.

The organization acts on wrongdoings in different countries by responding to Urgent Action requests. Urgent Actions inform Amnesty chapters at colleges and high schools across the country about prisoners who have been denied their freedom of speech and other human rights. After the group receives the information from Amnesty headquarters, the students write a letter to the country's government official.

The students find out if their work is making a difference through a newsletter posting the releases of prisoners. Occasionally, the government official supplies a written response.

There are 19 members of Northwest's chapter and they are recruiting more people to help their actions become more powerful.

"People should join Amnesty because it makes them more aware about Third World countries," President Dovelle Kriegel said. "It also allows people to get knowledge outside of common sources such as media."

Raising money is also important to Amnesty. The money they raise will enable members to participate in activities that will teach them more about human rights.

Northwest's Amnesty chapter began in the 1980s.

Organizational concert to raise money for trip

by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

One of Amnesty International's main goals for the school year is to raise money.

Amnesty International will have a benefit concert from 6 to 11 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, in the Conference Center.

The concert will feature local bands from Maryville and Kansas City. Tickets will be available a week before the concert during lunch in the Student Union for \$4 and at the door for \$5.

Proceeds will fund Amnesty's trip to a human rights convention in Chicago and guest speakers the group brings to Northwest.

"The purpose of the concert is not only can we raise awareness to a more general student body than to just the people that come to Amnesty, but also to have a fun event that is outside of the normal activities for a college student at Maryville," President Dovelle Kriegel said.

Prevention, awareness addressed

YWCA Northwest Missouri Outreach has been observing the "Week Without Violence" throughout the week.

A proclamation was signed Tuesday to recognize the week.

Following is a schedule of events intended to increase the public's awareness of the widespread influence of violence in our society and share prevention tools.

Throughout the week: A Clothesline Project displayed at the Northwest Technical School and on campus. Purple and green ribbons will be handed out at area churches and businesses.

Poster display artwork, by local elementary school children and their parents, will be posted around town and on campus. Sidewalk chalkings will be displayed throughout campus.

A Clothesline Project Booth will be set up from noon to 2 p.m. on campus. Victims can design a T-shirt to be added to the project.

Today: A candlelight vigil and bell tolling. Individuals will gather to honor victims of violence from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

The vigil will be at the First United Methodist Church. The bell tolling will be at the church and at the Bell Tower. The bell tolling will also honor Matthew Shepard, a victim of a Wyoming hate crime that occurred two weeks ago.

Friday: A day of silence: Maryville churches and Northwest will not toll their bells in honor of the victims.

Saturday: A Family Safety Fair will be hosted by Chemical Abuse Resources and Education and Rape Is Going to Have To Stop from 8 a.m. to noon at Lamkin Activities Center.

A balloon launch will follow the Safety Fair. One balloon for each victim from Northwest Missouri who has called the YWCA Outreach crisis phone line in the past year will be released near Golden Pond.

For more information call 562-7939.

Cafe offers unique dining

by Angela Patton
Missourian Reporter

The dinners are served on the third floor of the Administration Building. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children and may be purchased at the Student Services Center.



What's cookin'?

- Oct. 23 — Italian
- Oct. 30 — Chinese
- Nov. 6 — German
- Nov. 13 — Cajun
- Nov. 20 — Scandinavian

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Public Safety

Saturday, Oct. 10

■ An officer in the 400 block of North Main Street observed two male subjects arguing. Contact was made, and after talking with them, it was discovered one of the subjects, Daniel T. Thatcher, 24, Creston, Iowa, had harassed a female subject. Thatcher was arrested for disorderly conduct and released after posting bond.

■ Donna M. Baughman, Omaha, Neb., and Anna K. Ferrara, Kansas City, Mo., were both southbound on South Main Street. Ferrara stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Baughman. A citation was issued to Baughman for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Officers responded to the 300 block of North Market Street on a call of a fight. Summons for affray were issued after investigation to Clyde L. Standiford, 30, Maryville, and Dewey L. Brantley, 28, Maryville.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

■ A 1984 Mercury was towed from the 300 block of East Third Street where it was illegally parked.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

■ Lisa L. Powell-Wells, King City; Catherine Figueras, St. Joseph; and Tony F. Hastings, Maryville, were all southbound on Main Street. Hastings and Figueras were stopped in traffic when Powell-Wells struck Figueras from behind, causing her to strike Hastings from behind. A citation was issued to Powell-Wells for careless and imprudent driving.

Thursday, Oct. 15

■ Richard R. Henderson, Des Moines, Iowa, was parked and had his door open on West First Street

when Shelly A. Jackson, Maryville, turned west onto West First Street and struck Henderson's door. Jackson was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Kenneth I. Barcus, Hopkins, who was westbound on Cooper Street, looked away from the road and did not see a stop sign. He struck Angela N. Money, Clearmont, who had turned onto Cooper Street too soon. Citations were issued to Barcus and Money for careless and imprudent driving.

Friday, Oct. 16

■ After receiving complaints of a weed violation in the 100 block of East Fourth Street, a summons was issued to Karen A. McMahon, 58, Jefferson City, for a weed and grass violation.

■ An officer on patrol in the 200 block West Fourth Street observed a group of people, of which a male was smoking and appeared to be underage. She made contact with the male, and it was determined he was 14 years old and from Maryville. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer, that as he was sitting in his house, he noticed a red dot on himself and believed it was either from a laser aim point from a weapon or a laser pointer used for lectures. He then observed a vehicle driving down the street with its lights off. A description of the vehicle and license number was given to officers, and the officer later made contact with the vehicle, which contained five Maryville male juveniles. It was determined they had a laser pointer and were driving around pointing it at houses and people in houses. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

Saturday, Oct. 17

■ An officer was in the 300 block of North Market Street when he observed a vehicle back from a parking stall and strike the vehicle parked next to it. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was identified as Gregory A. Wilkinson, 33, Corning, Iowa. While talking with him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving. Contact was made with the owner of the parked vehicle, and there was no damage sustained.

■ An officer responded to the 200 block of North Buchanan Street on a complaint of loud music. Contact was made with the occupant, Keven B. Sontheimer, 20, and he was advised to shut the party down. He was issued a summons for peace disturbance.

■ Officers responded to the 400 block of South Dewey Street on a domestic disturbance complaint. Upon arrival, officers arrested Jerry D. Smith, 46, Maryville, for domestic violence. He was released after posting bond.

■ An officer took a report from a Hopkins male who said while his vehicle was in the 900 block of South Main Street, it had been damaged. The passenger's side door was damaged on the top portion. It was dent and some paint was removed.

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer that his vehicle had been damaged, he was unsure of the location.

■ An officer took a report from a

Maryville female who said she noticed her shed had been damaged.

■ Michelle L. Quimby, Maryville, was westbound on Grant Street and failed to stop for a stop sign. She struck Gentry P. Martin, Maryville, who was northbound on Walnut Street. Quimby was issued a citation for failure to yield.

■ Colby N. Mathews, Maryville, was traveling south on Main Street. He slowed down to make a turn when his vehicle was hit by another vehicle that then left the scene.

Obituaries

Paul Curram

Paul Wellesley Curram, 91, Maryville, died Oct. 14 at the Fairfax Community Hospital in Fairfax.

He was born Jan. 2, 1907, to Thomas and Mary Curram in Maryville.

Survivors include one son, James.

Services were Friday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

Halbert Catterson

Halbert G. Catterson, 89, Maryville, died Oct. 15 at Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born May 20, 1909, to Hal and Laura Catterson in Maryville.

Survivors include one daughter, Ellen F. France; one son, Lewis; one brother; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Monday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville. Burial was at Miriam Cemetery in Maryville.

Verlyn Conrad

Verlyn Carol Conrad, 82, Maryville, died Oct. 16 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 20, 1916, to Noah and Celeste Conrad in Parnell.

Survivors include his wife, Polly; one sister; and several nieces and

nephews.

Services were Tuesday at the First Christian Church in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

Hildred Conway

Hildred D. Conway, 90, Barnard, died Oct. 16 at Saxton Care Center in St. Joseph.

She was born July 30, 1908, to George and Maude Sell in Barnard.

Survivors include two daughters, Dolores Potelli and Sharee Buskirk; one sister; and four grandchildren.

Services were Wednesday at the Church of Christ in Barnard. Burial was at Barnard Masonic Cemetery in Barnard.

Billie Powers

Billie Rex Powers, 67, Maryville, died Oct. 18 at Maryville Heath Care Center in Maryville.

He was born Dec. 8, 1929, to Curtis and Estella Powers in Gentry.

Survivors include one daughter, Vicki Lynn Williams; one son, Bill Jr.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services are at 2 p.m. today at Oak Hill Cemetery.

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New Arrivals

Victoria Rose Titus

Johnny and Karree Titus, Pickering, are the parents of Victoria Rose, born Oct. 8 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed seven pounds, six ounces and joins one sister, Cassie; and one brother, JT.

Her grandparents are Tom and Sandra Espy, Maryville; and John and Helen Titus, Hopkins. Her great-grandparents are Charles Titus and Doris Hoy, both of Hopkins; and Leola Espy, Maryville.

Jayden Douglas Ebrecht

Sharee Volner, Pickering, and Jeremy Ebrecht, Maryville, are the parents of Jayden Douglas, born Oct. 8 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed eight pounds, six ounces.

Grandparents are Sherri and Kevin Volner, Pickering; and Dana and Fred Ebrecht, Grant City. Great-grandparents are Don and Dolores Volner, Pickering; and Nellis and Jay Sticken, Graham.

up for better quality education. That is a long run. If that idea got to be in a majority, it would be very harmful to children in the state."

Carnahan said people in the region need legislators who are tuned into the community to receive adequate state representation.

"North Missouri must have strong, capable representation in Jefferson City in order to assure this region receives its fair share from state government," Carnahan said. "The combination of Bridget and Beth will provide for such representation."

Carnahan said he was proud of the two candidates for this area and hopes they are elected.

"We're in the closing days and weeks of the campaign," Carnahan said. "It's a very hopeful time because it's the time that people get to express themselves and choose the direction they're going to go in the future."

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the public schools in this area, to pull up the learning of the students."

Brown and Wheeler were with Carnahan when he visited Horace Mann.

When they walked through a make-shift classroom in the main hallway, the students told the group they were learning about history.

"That's good," Brown said. "We hope to make it."

Carnahan said if elected, the two Democrats will positively affect the Maryville community, especially regarding education.

"It will be great to have a supporter of the University and public education," Carnahan said. "The incumbent senator and representative are lukewarm supporters or not supporters at all. So when it comes down to the issues, they won't stand

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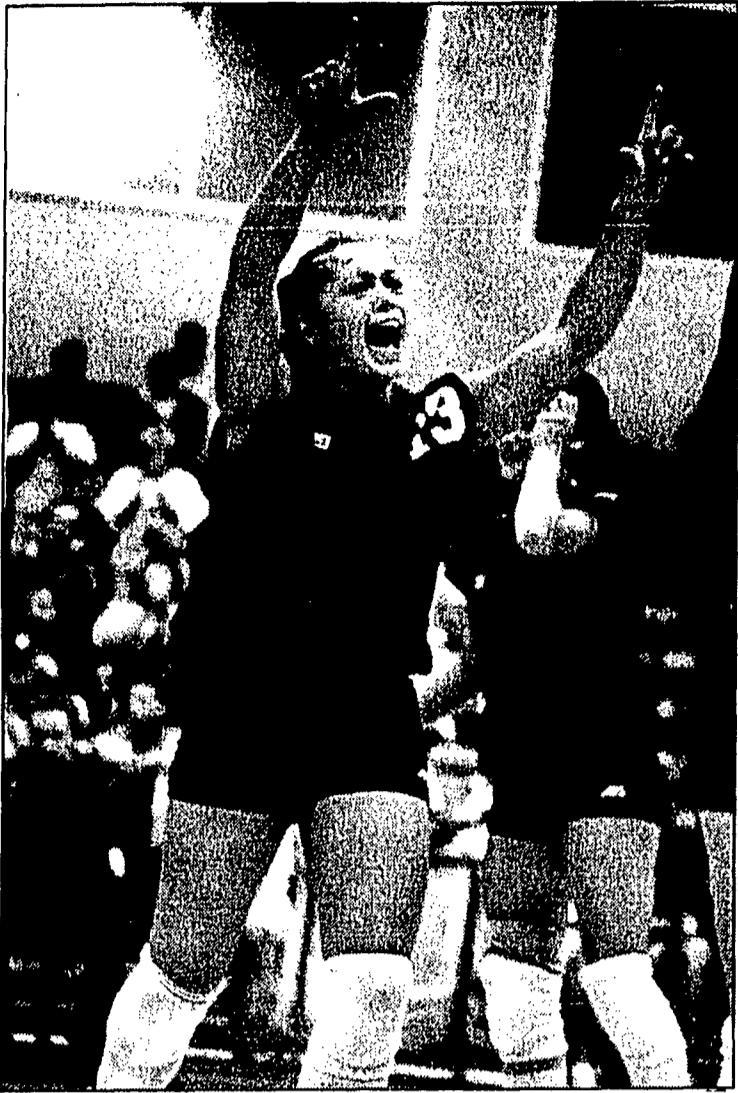
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However, don't be concerned. Your favorite Maryville night spot will offer its same great specials, atmosphere and services you are deserving of and accustomed to.

Killer instinct



Mike Ransdell/Chief Photographer

Bearcat middle hitter Jill Quast points her fingers to the sky in celebration after one of her 14 kills Friday night. Quast led the Bearcats in kills, blocks and to their 13th win of the season.

Volleyball loses, defends tourney

by Barry Platt
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest volleyball team traveled to Topeka, Kan., Wednesday night, to try to gain revenge on the Washburn Lady Blues, who handed the 'Cats their first conference loss Sept. 16 in Bearcat Arena.

The Bearcat spikers were unsuccessful in their attempt, losing to Washburn in three straight games, 13-15, 15-17 and 10-15.

Northwest falls to 13-7 overall and 5-6 in the MIAA. The 'Cats were led by sophomore Shell Suda, who had 17 digs and two blocks. Sophomore Abby Sunderman contributed 12 kills for Northwest, while sophomore Abby Willms collected 41 assists.

For Washburn, who moves to 12-14 overall and 5-7 in the conference, freshman Jill Gassen collected 14 kills, while freshman Becci Havlicek had seven blocks. Junior Amanda Dunbar led the Blues with 36 assists, and junior Amanda Purdon contributed 19 digs.

Earlier in the week, the Bearcats split with Southwest Baptist and Central Missouri State, in matches played in Bearcat Arena. The 'Cats completed a

regular season sweep of Southwest Baptist, winning three games to one Friday night, while being swept in the season series by Central, losing 3-1, Saturday afternoon.

Northwest is preparing for the Simpson College Iowa Tournament, to be held this weekend in Indianola, Iowa. The 'Cats will take on Simpson, McAllister, Cornell and St. Thomas colleges in the two-day tournament.

Northwest head coach Sarah Pelster is certain the Bearcats will see good competition in the tournament.

"They are all good teams," she said. "The majority of the teams in the tournament are Division III schools, but most of them are regionally and nationally ranked in Division III, so the competition will be tough."

Northwest is the defending champion in the tournament, having won the tourney the past two years.

After that tournament, the team will travel to Emporia, Kan., for a conference matchup with Emporia State Wednesday night. They will stay on the road next weekend, playing in the Drury College Tournament in Springfield.

'Cats dominate SBU; running game, defense keeps scoreboard lit up

by Colin McDonough
Contributing Reporter

The Bearcats came close to posting their first shutout since 1984, but a gritty fourth quarter performance from Southwest Baptist denied Northwest its chance.

The Bearcats scored early and often, dominating SBU, 57-12. By halftime, the 'Cats took a 23-0 advantage.

Northwest continued to roll in the second half, leading 50-0 midway through the fourth quarter. Southwest Baptist managed to put two scores on the board in the fourth quarter.

The 'Cats' defense scored eight points in the game, getting a safety in the first quarter and senior cornerback Twan Young scooped up a fumble and charged 29 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter.

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date Chris Greisen did not have a good performance. Greisen passed for 181 yards and one touchdown while throwing three interceptions, all deep in SBU territory.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said Greisen did not play his best in the first quarter.

"He threw three interceptions in the first quarter and hopefully we got those out of our system," Tjeerdsma said.

Freshman running back Tommy Myers led the Bearcat's ground game with 86 yards and two touchdowns on 11 carries in the fourth quarter.

Senior running back Derek Lane scored a touchdown and rushed for 43 yards while sophomore running back David Jansen rushed for 42 yards in the ballgame.

Junior kicker David Purnell added a pair of field goals to the Northwest total. His kicks traveled 44 and 33 yards.

Tjeerdsma said the 'Cats won the game for many reasons but one stood out.

"The key was the way we played defensively," Tjeerdsma said. "With

the exception of one or two times, we started every offensive drive inside the 50-yard line. Southwest Baptist completed a couple passes right before the half, otherwise they would have had nothing in the first half."

Northwest led early on in the fourth quarter 50-0 before SBU cracked the scoreboard. The purple 'Cats added another late touchdown to sour Northwest's hopes of a shutout.

"You've got to give them credit because they battled the whole ballgame," Tjeerdsma said.

While the defense was able to hold on in the fourth quarter with reserves in the game, that did not mean the defense did not do its job well.

In the second game of the 1984 season, Northwest shut out Grand Valley State in Michigan, 26-0.

Since that game, Northwest has not been able to keep its opponents from cracking the scoreboard.

But since that defensive goose egg, the Bearcats have been shutout offensively seven times. The last time against Pittsburg State, 40-2.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Senior midfielder Andrea Sacco determines which way to maneuver around her opponent in an early season match up. The women's soccer club is 4-3 on the season.

The 'Cats will play two games at home this weekend. Their next game will be Saturday against Drake. The game is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m.

'Cats to close out soccer season

by Matt Gorgen
Contributing Reporter

The Northwest women's soccer club is looking forward to its final weekend with two matches at home.

The 'Cats will take on Drake University at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Head coach Greg Roper said Drake cannot be taken lightly.

"I'm worried that we, as a team, could go into the match over confident and end up losing," Roper said. "Never take a team for granted."

However, the players understand the importance of the game, senior goalie Danielle Saunders said.

"We're not going to underestimate either team," Saunders said. "We're going to play one game at a time."

The 'Cats will also play host to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at 2 p.m. Sunday to close out the season.

Saunders said each team has improved and the game will be hard-fought.

"It will be a pretty tight match and a well matched game," Saunders said. "We've progressed to another level since last September and I know they have progressed to another level also. It will be one great game to end the season on."

The 'Cats defeated Drake 10-2 in September and fought a tough battle

last year with UNL before beating them 4-3.

The 'Cats are now 4-2 on the year and hope to end the season with a strong finish.

The club traveled to Lawrence, Kan., to play the University of Kansas Saturday, but the match was rained out two minutes prior to game time because of the torrential downpours that visited the Midwest.

Roper and the players were disappointed with the cancellation.

"It's disappointing and frustrating because we wanted to not only prove to ourselves, but to the people at the game, that we could beat them," junior midfielder Melissa Cole said.

Cross country teams enter conference championships hoping for total team effort

by Wendy Broker
Contributing Reporter

The Northwest cross country teams are falling into stride as they take the first big steps toward achieving their season goals at the MIAA conference championships Saturday.

The women's team is looking to repeat as MIAA champions for the fourth straight year.

Depth will be key if the team is to win, junior Becca Glassel said.

"The closer we stay together at conference, the better chance we have of winning," Glassel said. "Our

No. 7 and 8 runners will be important to knock people off. It will take a total team effort to win our fourth title, but we are ready to take it all. We know it will be hard, but as long as we can stay together we will be all right."

Competition from Missouri Southern, Pittsburg State and Truman State will be tough and the team will mentally prepare for them, head coach Vicki Wooton said.

"The course is relatively fast and flat at Pittsburg State, and we need to know that each person we pass could be the difference between winning and being in the top four,"

Wooton said. "It will come down to which new athletes can step up and meet the challenge with the pressure of conference. We have the most to lose — everyone's out to get us, but we're not ready to step down. We've put in the time and we're ready."

The women go into the meet following a tough race at the Iowa State Memorial Classic where they placed second in the non-Division I group.

Senior Lindsey Borgstadt led the team, placing first in their division, followed by sophomore Megan Borgstadt in second. Sophomore Sarah Handrup and Glassel placed ninth and 10th, respectively. Senior

Amber Martin rounded out the 'Cats' top five at 13th.

"Considering the hard week in practice we had, I was extremely pleased with our performance in the weather conditions that prevailed," Wooton said. "We were hoping to achieve another hard workout, run against tough competition, be competitive and get ready for conference, and we did."

Men prepare to conquer MIAA

The men's cross country team is looking to the MIAA conference meet in Pittsburg, Kan., as a place to show off its best and better last year's second place finish.

Head coach Rich Alsip said the team did not add much to its workouts in preparation for the meet.

"Our goal from practice is to train, not compete, for positions," Alsip said. "Practice will be quality, without being extreme in any direction. There's no need to taper too much because we are running well without it. We want to hold off tapering as long as possible."

The team's goal for conference has been unwavering all season: to knock off perennial power Central Missouri State.

"As for the conference meet, we look to go out with Central and try to beat them," Alsip said. "We are not resigned to the fact that they are ranked above us and we will finish second. If we run our best and finish second, that will be fine, because that will mean that's all the better we are, but that's not what we are going for."

Beating Central will not be easy for the team, but the men know what it will take.

"We must run our best to win," Alsip said. "As well as we have run, our guys are better than that. We need to pack up more. We are not shoe-ins for second place. Anyone can run well and get it."

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NCAA Div. II Football Poll

1. Northern Colorado (7-0)
2. Central Oklahoma (7-0)
3. Tie - Northwest Missouri (7-0)
4. Grand Valley State (Mich.) (7-0)
5. Tie - Carson-Newman (Tenn.) (6-1)
6. California-Davis (6-1)
7. Slippery Rock (Pa.) (6-1)
8. Tie - Fort Valley State (Ga.) (7-0)
9. West Texas A & M (6-1)
10. West Georgia (7-0)
11. North Dakota (5-1)
12. East New Mexico (7-0)
13. Indiana (Pa.) (6-0)
14. Southern Arkansas (5-1)
15. Emporia State (6-1)
16. Saginaw Valley (Mich.) St. (6-1)
17. Albany State (Ga.) (6-1)
18. Pittsburg State (5-1)
19. Texas A & M — Kingsville (5-2)
20. Central Missouri State (6-1)

Football standings

	MIAA	Overall		
W	L	W	L	
NWMSU	5	0	7	0
CMSU	4	1	6	1
ESU	4	1	6	1
PSU	4	1	5	1
TSU	4	1	4	3
WU	2	3	3	4
SBU	1	4	2	5
MSSC	1	4	1	5
MWSC	0	5	2	5
UMR	0	5	0	7

Team statistics

Total offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 492.1
2. Northwest, 491.1

Rushing offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 267
4. Northwest, 205

Passing offense yards per game
1. Northwest, 286.1

Total defense yards per game
1. Central Missouri State, 231
3. Northwest, 301.6

Rushing defense yards per game
1. Northwest, 120.9

Passing defense
1. Central Missouri State, 109.6
8. Northwest, 180.7

Individual statistics

Rushing yards per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 217.4
2. Derek Lane, NW, 76.0
8. David Jansen, NW, 54.7

Passing efficiency
1. Chris Greisen, NW, 169.5

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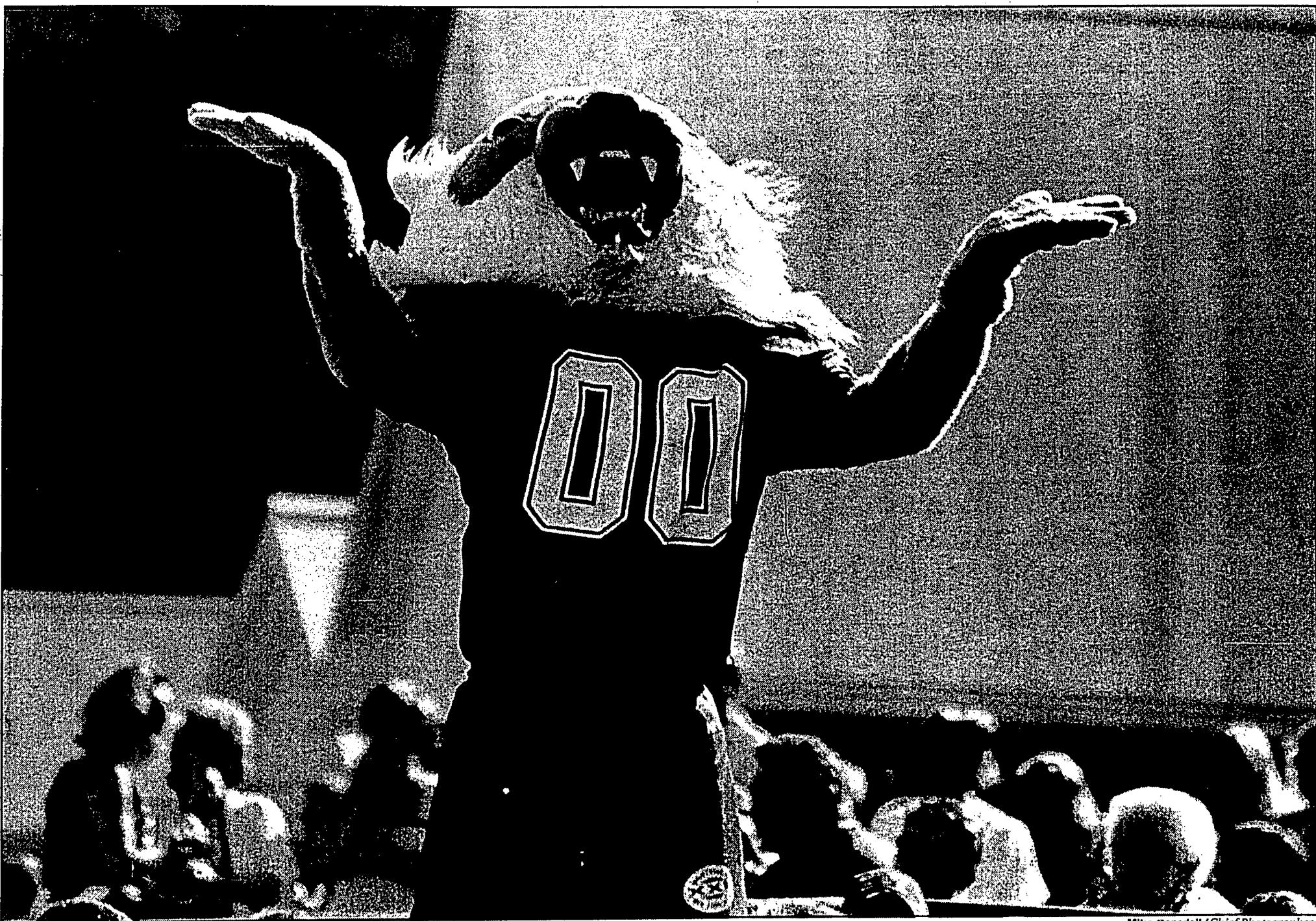
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The Pittsburg State Gorillas will invade Rickenbrode Stadium Saturday in a face off between the two MIAA powerhouses. It will be a rematch of last year's Bearcat victory in the "Jungle."

Now, we welcome them to Our House.

Powerful 'Cats' offense should beat Pitt State

Over the weekend I saw a commercial advertising Pittsburg State, and it mentioned that Gorilla football games are "out of control." The only thing that is going to be is out of control when the Gorillas come to Rickenbrode Stadium to take on Northwest Saturday, will be the Bearcats explosive offense.

The 'Cats have whipped on all of their opponents this season. They are averaging about 48 points per game and well on pace to break the MIAA record for average scoring in a season. The 'Cats have scored in all but one quarter this season. In fact, the 'Cats opened the season by scoring in 23 consecutive quarters. The 'Cats have been held under 40 points only once this year and are leading the conference in total offense, averaging 504.7 yards per game.

Are you prepared for the ride back to Pittsburg yet, Gorillas? I'll continue anyway.

The 'Cats' offensive strike starts at the quarterback position. Senior quarterback and Harlon Hill candidate Chris Greisen has been executing at an enormous level this season. He ranks second in the nation with a 174.2 passing efficiency and averaging 275 yards per game in total offense.

As you continue to run your finger down the Bearcats' stat sheet, it only gets worse — or better, depending on who you're cheering for. If the Pitt State fans were at all nervous when Greisen handed the ball off to running back Derek Lane last year, they won't want to watch this year. A stronger and more mature Lane leads the 'Cats

ground attack. Behind him is sophomore running back David Jansen, who has also had a fair hand in the 'Cats' ground attack.

Eventually, you get to the receivers and I give you one name — Tony Miles. He's only a sophomore, but this guy can break tackles and sneak through the tiniest cracks in the defense, and accelerate into lightning speed. Miles is averaging 86 yards per game, but that's only when the ball is thrown to him. When you figure in what he can do on kick returns, add about 100 yards for his total offense per game.

Other receivers like J.R. Hill and Seneca Holmes make the 'Cats offense almost unbeatable.

The No. 3 ranked 'Cats are scattered all over the Division II stat sheet, while this year, the Gorillas were missing from the Top 20 poll for weeks. Northwest is quickly becoming the powerhouse football team that Pitt State once was.

Unlike last year, this weekend's game probably won't be classified as "the game of the year," and it probably won't be as close as last year's 15-14 Bearcat victory.

The only thing the Gorillas have going for them is the fact that the last time they left the "Jungle" to visit the 'Ville, it was a 40-0 loss for the Bearcats. The "Rickenbrode Rowdies" will be in full-force on Saturday to help dispose of that memory.

This time around the Gorillas are the underdog: Northwest 38, Pitt State 21.

Mark Hornickel is the Sports Editor for *The Missourian*.



Northwest

Points: 49
Points allowed: 17.1
Total offense: 491.1
Rushing offense: 205
Passing offense: 286.1
Total defense: 301.6
Rushing defense: 120.9
Passing defense: 180.7
Time of possession: 30:33
3rd-down conv: 46/90 (51%)
4th-down conv: 5/12 (42%)
Field goals: 6/7 (86%)
Top passer: Chris Greisen 177-114-10, 64.4 completion pct., 16 TDs
Top rusher: Derek Lane 84-544, 76 ypg, 9 TDs
Top receiver: Tony Miles 27-540, 77.1 ypg, 7 TDs
Top tackler: Aaron Crowe 54 total tackles, 8 TFL, 3 sacks; Brian Williams 45 total tackles, 6 TFL, 3 FRs

Northwest's Offense

Tight end - 82 Marc Maus
Left tackle - 58 Andy Erpelding
Left guard - 72 Chad Thompson
Center - 51 Steve Coppinger
Right guard - 60 Sherman Wilderness
Right tackle - 68 Jay Eilers
Slot receiver - 10 Tony Miles
Wide receiver - 9 Willie Cohen
Quarterback - 14 Chris Greisen
Wide receiver - 8 Scott Courier
A running back - 32 Derek Lane
B running back - 45 Tucker Woolsey
Holder - 14 Chris Greisen
Placekicker - 20 David Purnell
Long snapper - 53 Aaron Becker

Northwest's Defense

Defensive end - 91 Adam Horn
Defensive tackle - 53 Aaron Becker
Noseguard - 93 Matt Voge
Defensive end - 92 Cole Sidwell
Rover - 44 Wes Simmons
Linebacker - 7 Aaron Crowe
Buck linebacker - 49 Brian Williams
Cornerback - 1 Charlie Pugh
Free safety - 12 Daniel Keys
Strong safety - 6 Greg Wayne
Cornerback - 23 Twan Young
Punt return - 10 Tony Miles
Kickoffs - 20 David Purnell
Punter - 39 Jeff LeBlanc
Kickoff return - 1 Charlie Pugh

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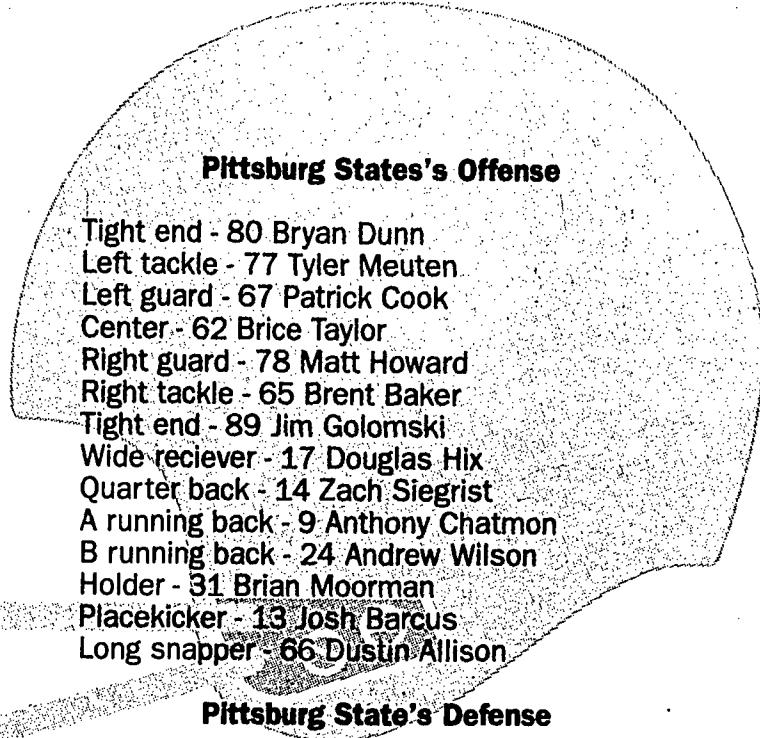
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Pittsburg State's Offense

Tight end - 80 Bryan Dunn
Left tackle - 77 Tyler Meuten
Left guard - 67 Patrick Cook
Center - 62 Brice Taylor
Right guard - 78 Matt Howard
Right tackle - 65 Brent Baker
Tight end - 89 Jim Golomski
Wide receiver - 17 Douglas Hix
Quarter back - 14 Zach Siegrist
A running back - 9 Anthony Chatmon
B running back - 24 Andrew Wilson
Holder - 31 Brian Moorman
Placekicker - 13 Josh Barcus
Long snapper - 66 Dustin Allison

Pittsburg State's Defense

Defensive end - 23 Dion Meneley
Defensive tackle - 60 Kyle Broyles
Defensive tackle - 99 Chad Webb
Defensive end - 94 Ben Peterson
OLB - 55 Gene Hensley
ILB - 44 Poncho Sales
ILB - 59 Wes Baker
OLB - 22 Ryan McGivern
Cornerback - 38 Jeremy Messerly
Free safety - 18 Andrew Poling
Cornerback - 8 Travis Stepps
Punt return - 17 Douglas Hix
Punter - 31 Brian Moorman
Kickoff return - 9 Anthony Chatmon



Pittsburg State

Points: 32.8
Points allowed: 13
Total offense: 372.2
Rushing offense: 245
Passing offense: 127.2
Total defense: 255.2
Rushing defense: 126.7
Passing defense: 128.5
Time of possession: 29:15
3rd-down conv: 23/76 (30%)
4th-down-con: 5/8 (63%)
Field goals: 12-14 (86%)
Top passer: Zach Siegrist 83-41-2,
49.4 completion pct., 6 TDs
Top rusher: Andrew Wilson 75-
370, 61.7 ypg, 2 TDs
Top receiver: Douglas Hix 20-426,
71 ypg, 5 TDs
Top tackler: Wes Barker 52 total
tackles, 4 TFL, 1 sack; Ben
Peterson 48 total tackles, 14 TFL,
7 sacks

Gorillas invade 'Ville, hope to put lights out

Bearcats? I thought we already played the Bearcats and beat them 42-7. As I recall they had more turnovers than a Baptist bake sale. We caught as many passes from their quarterback as they did. Then there was that Thursday night special with Central Missouri State. It reminded me of the pioneer days. We got 26 points and a mule in the second half against the "best" defense in the conference.

Oh, you mean Northwest Missouri State, or Bearcats II as we call them. If we knock their "earc" off, would that make them the Bats? At least then they'd have an original nickname, as well as company at the top of the conference.

This week the mighty Pittsburg State Gorillas travel to lovely Rickenbrode Stadium in Maryville to tame the 'Cats.

Northwest will face the winningest program in Division II college football. NMSU sounds like "I'm gonna mess you," which is exactly what the Gorillas are gonna do.

They're gonna mess up the 'Cats. Rickenbrode will become a broken road on the Bearcats way to second place in the MIAA. The good news for Northwest is they'll have lots of company below Pitt State in the standings.

The Gorillas are in unusual territory for them. They've been out of the NCAA Division II top 20 for more than a month. They intend to remedy that

oversight this weekend in Maryville.

They will introduce the Bearcats' offense to Gentle Ben, Mean Gene, Bad Chad and the Brand Funk Railroad. And that's just the front line.

When N-Messy-U turns the ball over, they'll find out about an offense that's churned out 115 points, so far, in the month of October. When we played Southern Baptist we got 35 points before the first quarter was over. What took you so long last Saturday, Northwest?

Based on several secret factors including the end of daylight savings time, the world economy and common opponents, I believe the following will come to pass.

By the way, if the Blandcats come to pass, they will discover a defense that had touchdowns off interceptions for two straight games.

I believe the final score ought to be Pitt State 37, Northwest 13, and that's being kind to the Bentcats' offense.

So, Burnedcats, beware. The Gorillas are coming. We'd put your lights out, if you had any.

Since you don't, we plan to light up the scoreboard on you. We believe it's better to light a Bearcat than curse the darkness.

See you on Saturday, Northwest. We'll be the ones in the end zone.

Charly Hensley is the Sports Editor for the Pittsburg State Collegian.

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Grant Sutton,
freshman red-shirt offensive linebacker



Grant Sutton

Steve Sutton

Brian Sutton

“Once a Bearcat, always a Bearcat. We’ll never stop going to Bearcat games. Everything will just be in a little different perspective.”

Steve Sutton,
Brian and Grant Sutton’s father

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

When the Bearcats take on Pittsburg State Saturday, a proud father will be watching from the stands as his two sons follow in his footsteps.

Steve Sutton was a defensive back at Northwest from 1967-70. Now, his sons Brian and Grant are Bearcats as well. Brian is a senior safety, while Grant is a red-shirt freshman offensive linebacker.

Football has been a large part of the Suttons’ lives. After Steve graduated from Northwest, he coached for six years, including three years at Maryville High School.

“For many, many years, it’s been every Friday night and Saturday afternoon,” Steve said. “We went to Bearcat games before the guys were even out there. So we spend a lot of time at football games.”

Although Brian enjoyed baseball when he was younger, he soon found himself wrapped up in football.

When it came time to choose a college, Brian chose Northwest over the University of Missouri-Columbia.

“I had planned on going to MU, and just walking on the baseball team or at least trying out,” Brian said. “But Coach Tjeerdsma one day was doing a little PR work. He said, ‘if you want to try being on our team, we’ll give you a little bit of money.’ I was like, ‘can’t pass that up.’ I never really thought I would ever play football in college, but I’m so glad I did. It’s one of the best decisions I’ve ever made.”

Grant has always enjoyed football and can remember playing tackle football with neighbors, without their parents knowing.

While Steve did not have a major influence on Brian’s decision to go to Northwest, Grant thinks their roles at Northwest may have influenced his decision more than he first realized.

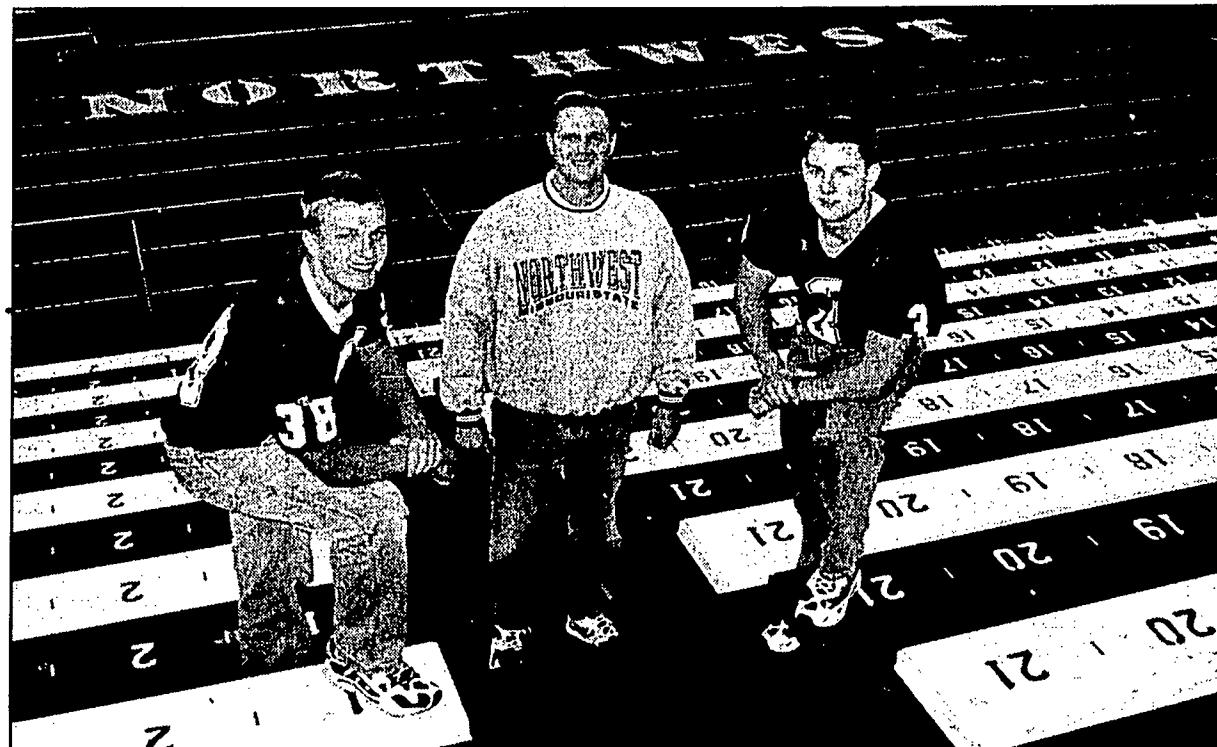
“Dad told him he’d cut him off if he didn’t go,” Brian said jokingly.

Grant thought about playing football at MIAA rival Truman State, but decided to stay close to home.

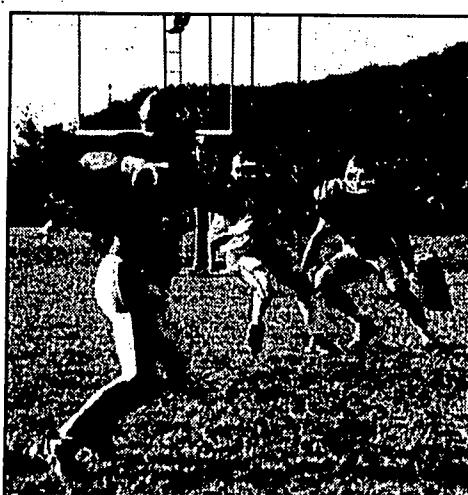
“Growing up here and playing football out here, a lot of people know who I am,” Grant said. “It’s going to be fun going for four or five more years, or five more years. You can’t pass it up, playing for a team like Northwest.”

After being a key player at Maryville High School last year, Grant has spent his first season at Northwest watching games from the sidelines as a red-shirt freshman. Yet he enjoys it when other players compliment him in practice, knowing he will get his chance some day.

“It’s really difficult,” Grant said. “We were talking the other day; it’s



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Bearcat safety Brian Sutton, No. 3 (top), charges toward the end zone after intercepting Missouri Western quarterback Kasey Waterman. Brian returned the interception for a 69-yard touchdown. Grant Sutton, No. 33, (left), watches to see where backup quarterback Travis Miles is going to throw the ball in Wednesday’s practice.

like you go from stud to dud. You go from being one of the key contributors on the team to scout team. But sometimes as a freshman you think you’re unnoticed because you’re on the scout team. But when people notice you, it makes you feel pretty good, especially when you know you’re not getting in the game.”

Brian understands the frustration of a red-shirt season, especially since he was a red-shirt freshman that witnessed some of the ‘Cats unsuccessful years.

“With him being on the scout team, it’s kind of hard to really say much except ‘Keep your head up,

you’ll get your chance,’” Brian said. “Your freshman year is a long year when you’re getting red-shirted, especially if things go the way we want them to. That’s a 15-week season, plus the four weeks before. That makes for a really long season, especially when you know you’re never going to play in a game. Their best thing is a scrimmage once every four weeks.”

When game day arrives, it’s an all-day affair for the Sutton family, which also includes Steve’s wife Bonnie, and daughter Sundee, a Maryville High School freshman.

Prior to home games, the football

team eats breakfast together. The family normally does not see Brian or Grant until after the game, although Steve tries to call and talk to them a few minutes before.

“It’s kind of a full-day thing,” Brian said. “We usually go eat breakfast and then we go to Copp’s (Steve Coppinger) house and shoot pool and just kind of relax for a while. He’ll call me over there, or I’ll call him from over there, and we just talk for a few minutes.”

When Brian asked his father what the rest of the family does, Grant jokingly answered, “Get their game face on and go stare at the field.”

Grant and Brian both like to tease their dad about his pre-game antics.

“We’re looking out for special teams, kick PATs and stuff,” Brian said. “That’s like an hour and 10 minutes before the game. There will be like eight students there—same guys that are there every week—and then my dad will be on the other side, sitting there by himself. But he likes to be early to the games, see us warm up and stuff.”

As a father, it is important for Steve to help out his sons whenever he can. They often watch game film, and Steve sometimes gives Brian and Grant a pep talk or discusses their mistakes with them.

“I can remember in high school, especially my freshman and sophomore year, after school he’d give me a pep talk and tell me what to do,” Brian said. “And now, he knows that I know what to do, so he doesn’t have to say as much. He doesn’t really say anything, just ‘Get in a zone, play hard.’ I know what he means.”

Steve coached Grant while he was a running back at Maryville High School, including 1996 when the ‘Hounds advanced to the state playoffs.

“He taught us a lot,” Grant said. “He was the type of coach that wouldn’t let you rest at all. It’s hard to complain to your dad, but it was fun to have him there alongside and help me out whenever I needed it.”

Not only does Steve try to teach his sons lessons about football, but lessons for life as well.

“I can’t give them many hints because they know so much more than when I was playing,” Steve said. “I try to impress upon them not to look back and wish they had done more. That goes more than just before the game. That’s in life, as far as working hard and preparing yourself.”

Rickenbode Stadium has not changed much since Steve played there, but the Suttons said many things have changed about football at Northwest.

“Especially my class—the six or seven guys that are still here from the very beginning, when we were red-shirt freshmen—it’s more like a family atmosphere now, and that’s so cool because I’m such good friends with all of my friend’s parents and my parents are friends with their parents,” Brian said.

The Suttons are aware that their days of suiting up for a game will soon be over. However, they look forward to watching many more games.

“Once a Bearcat, always a Bearcat,” Steve said. “We’ll never stop going to Bearcat games. Everything will just be in a little different perspective.”

'Hounds face first true test

by Mark Hornickel

Sports Editor

The Maryville football team will get its first real test Friday when they begin district play in Savannah.

The 'Hounds are going into the game with a perfect 6-0 record and ranked No. 3 in the state. Savannah is 6-1 coming off a 62-0 crushing of Lafayette last Friday, ranking them No. 5 in the state.

The 'Hounds were idle last week, which allowed the team to work on fundamentals and get an early start on its game plan, head coach Chuck Litteras said.

"We had a good week of practice last week," Litteras said. "I felt very confident about the way they executed in practice. We got about 85 to 90 percent of our game plan in last week. This week, practices are going to be short, crisp and to the point — execute the game plan and be done with it."

The players agree Savannah may be the toughest team they will face this season. Both teams are among the top in total defense and offense.

"This is going to be biggest game of the season," senior lineman Russ Wiederholt said. "We look at Chillicothe; we can beat them. We look at Tarkio; we can beat them. So we should be able to win this game and wrap up the district title."

The Savages run a version of the wing-T offense and have a strong backfield that includes senior fullback John Snipes and senior half-

back Mark Bolger.

Both players have the ability to hurt the 'Hounds, he said.

"Bolger does a very nice job on the misdirection plays and on the running sweep," Litteras said. "Sipes — they're pitching him the ball on the double-option and he's running the inside track. They run him off-tackle. He's a big, strong, powerful running back."

In addition to strong running backs, Litteras said the Savages also have a talented quarterback in senior Eric Miller. He is able to choose from a wide range of receivers, including Sipes and Bolger.

"They throw the ball to Sipes in the flats," Litteras said. "They try and get Bolger isolated on a flat scheme. He's got real good quicks and catches the ball real well. So they've got some good weapons in those kids. They're a little bit more diversified than they were last year, which presents an interesting problem because you gotta make sure you cover all the bases, and the biggest thing is we've got to make sure we shut Sipes down. At least control him and force them to use other parts of their ball game. We feel that we can control that situation."

When the 'Hounds' offense goes up against Savannah's defense, the 'Hounds are a bit more comfortable.

"We don't feel they're as strong on the edge as they were last year," Litteras said. "Their outside linebacker really gets to the ball well, but we feel that the outside linebacker



The No. 3 state-ranked Maryville Spoofhounds are taking advantage of their off week by doing some hitting drills during practice Monday. They are preparing for the Friday night game in Savannah starting at 7:30 p.m. Savannah

was stronger last year than the young man is this year."

Sipes and Bolger are edges and Savannah features an aggressive secondary as well, Litteras said.

"Both of their safeties are back and they run really well and cover the run very aggressively," Litteras said. "They play pretty good pass coverage."

However, Savannah cornerback Andy Barnes is questionable for the game. He is recovering from a

chipped bone and ligament strains in his ankle.

"If he plays, he's going to be very tentative so that's an aspect of the game that we're going to try and capitalize on," Litteras said.

On special teams, Sipes punts for the Savages. Savannah also features a talented kicker, Litteras said.

"On kickoffs, he usually kicks it into the end zone or very close to the goal line," Litteras said.

Despite playing in Savannah, the

'Hounds don't think it will be an advantage for either team.

"We'd rather play here, of course, but we've had good success down there too," Litteras said. "I imagine there will be quite a crowd down there and I don't really know that there will be any home-field advantage or not. It will be a really good ball game."

No matter the circumstances or the records, the players know it's a whole new season.



■ Scott Summers

my question, she replied, "Those who don't remember the past are doomed to repeat it."

Not surprisingly, that's all I remember about her class.

Maybe today's NBA stars should sit through one of Mrs. Nitscke's classes.

Baseball fans are only now returning to the country's national pastime after a players' strike cancelled the 1994 World Series.

It will be a long time before baseball fans forget the strike. Ticket sales were lower this season in many cities than they had been before the strike.

Before the strike, baseball players said they were being cheated out of earning the money they deserved. Many of them still believe the owners are cheating them.

In 1998, history is repeating itself. It has become apparent that NBA players didn't learn from their bat-wielding colleagues.

Then, how can we blame them? Half of them should still be in high school anyway.

Some NBA superstars want the public to believe they have been denied a chance to make a fair living.

A fair living?

I'd like to watch them explain that to the millions of people working two or even three jobs just to scrape together a decent living.

Basketball players don't know how lucky they are.

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Maybe NBA players just need a little reminder: There's a funny thing about being a professional athlete — there are always millions of people willing to take your place.

As for Mrs. Nitscke's class, maybe she really was onto something.

Scott Summers is a *Missourian Online* columnist.

Spikers victorious in pair of local matches

by Travis Dillmatt

Missourian Reporter

The Spoofhound volleyball team defeated two of its geographic rivals in back-to-back matches earlier this week.

The 'Hounds traveled to Tarkio, where they swept the Indians 15-12 and 15-6 Tuesday.

The Spoofhounds humbled the Bulldogs in straight games, 15-8 and 15-3, Monday in Maryville.

Maryville head coach Gregg Winslow said the victory over Fairfax was one of the Spoofhounds' better performances this season.

"That may be the best game we played this year," Winslow said. "They are a very good

team."

There was added emphasis on the win because of the traditional rivalry between Fairfax and Maryville, Winslow said.

The girls played over there in a volleyball league this summer," he said. "So they got to know a lot of the girls. And, there's been a little bit of a rivalry, too. That helps things."

Winslow recognized the intensity of the match as well.

Although not usually demonstrative, the coach rose from the bench several times during key plays in the match.

"I get into it when the girls play well," Winslow said. "You know, if they do the things they're supposed to do I try and tell them they do a good job.

When we are scrappy all over the floor, pick up balls that almost hit the floor, you've got to applaud their effort for that. This may be the scrappiest game we've played all year."

Winslow was impressed with his squad's all-around performance against the Bulldogs. However, he was less than enthusiastic about Maryville's follow-up victory over Tarkio.

"We did not look like the same team, that's for sure," Winslow said. "I don't think we were mentally as ready to play."

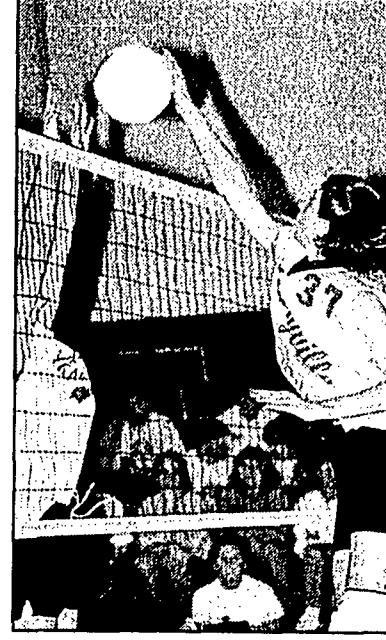
The Spoofhounds made passing and service errors and had to rally from deficits five different times during the first game against the Indians.

Maryville, which moved to

21-6-3 overall with the victories, will end its regular season against Platte County in action tonight. Though the Spoofhounds have not faced the Pirates this season, Howell is confident Maryville can end its season with a win.

"Cameron beat them earlier and we beat Cameron," Howell said. "But I think we're going to have to work hard. They aren't going to lay down."

The Spoofhounds have already secured the No. 1 seed in their district as postseason play begins. After a first-round bye, the 'Hounds will open district play at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Chillicothe. They will face the winner of an earlier match between Chillicothe and Lafayette.



Maryville 'Hounds volleyball player, Meagan Howell, tries to reach over the defenders block for the quick point in Monday night's match up against the Fairfax Bulldogs. The 'Hounds improved their season record to 20-6-3.

Greg Hetrick/Chief Photographer

men this year were Erin McLaughlin and Natalie Billings.

"The two freshmen on this team really played well," head coach Pat Turner said. "I am very proud of the way they played. I am already looking forward to watching their progress."

The team will return five of its six golfers next year. They will lose only Megan McLaughlin, who finished her high school career with a trip to state competition.

"Megan doing it her senior year is fantastic," Turner said. "That is great for her, and great for the team as well. She is a great player."

Megan was almost accompanied to state by the team, which fell 14 strokes short of making the tournament.

Home teams

Cross Country

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Varsity girls

*Jennifer Heller 7	22:03
Melissa Myers 21	23:41
Malorie Jones 29	24:34
Kristina Swinford 42	26:11
Natalie Harris 43	26:12
Laura Loch 52	33:13
Amy Eckerson 53	33:14
Team 6th place	142 points

Junior varsity boys

Adam Messner 17	21:12
Spencer Martin 26	22:30
Travis Turner 31	23:41
Kelly Stiens 34	26:12
Dusty Winslow 35	26:12
Team 5th place	143 pts

Golfer goes to state

With the turning leaves the only thing hitting the fairways at Mozingo, the 'Hounds golf team wrapped up a successful season.

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Team	QTR	Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yards	TOP	NWMSU-SBU
NWMSU	1st	12:39	Marc Maus 18 yd pass from Greisen	David Purnell Kick	2-39	0:27	7-0
NWMSU	1st	10:10	team safety				9-0
NWMSU	2nd	12:32	Chris Greisen 1yd run	David Purnell Kick	3-7	1:08	16-0
NWMSU	2nd	7:21	Derek Lane 12 yd run	David Purnell Kick	7-59	2:51	23-0
NWMSU	3rd	10:20	Tucker Woolsey 1yd run	David Purnell Kick	6-28	3:35	30-0
NWMSU	3rd	5:05	David Purnell 44 yd field goal		7-19	3:35	33-0
NWMSU	3rd	4:01	David Purnell 33 yd field goal		4-5	0:52	36-0
NWMSU	3rd	1:44	Twan Young 29 yd fumble recovery	David Purnell kick			43-0
NWMSU	4th	7:54	Tommy Meyers 10 yd run	David Purnell kick	9-46	4:47	50-0
SBU	4th	5:54	William Wheeler fumble recovery	Karson Turner pass failed	7-72	2:00	50-6
NWMSU	4th	5:41	Tommy Meyers 28 yd run	David Purnell kick	1-28	0:13	57-6
SBU	4th	4:20	Karson Turner 1 yd run	J.T. Wall rush failed	5-79	1:21	57-12

NWMSU SBU

'Cat tracks

■ Streaking Bearcats

Northwest has won 18 straight regular season games, dating back to the last time the Gorillas invaded Maryville. Pittsburg State won that ballgame, 40-0. The school record for consecutive regular season wins is 21, set from 1938-40. The MIAA record for consecutive victories is 27, set by Truman State from 1931-35.

■ Statistically speaking

Northwest is alone atop the MIAA standings. Statistically, the Bearcats are on top also. Northwest ranks in the top half of the conference stats in all but three of the team statistical categories. The Bearcats also lead eight of those 20 statistical categories.

■ Scoring explosion

The Bearcats have only been held under 40 points one time this season. Northwest is averaging 49 points per game, well on pace to break the MIAA record for average scoring in a season, which is 42.3, set by Emporia State last season. With their 57-point effort last week, Northwest put 50 points on the scoreboard for the third time this season.

■ Tjeerdsma on this week's game

"This is obviously a big game. Just the fact that Pittsburg State was picked to win the conference in the preseason makes it big. Plus we have been battling them for the last two years for the conference title. We still consider them to be our number one competition. It's a huge game for them because they already have one loss. Two losses would not be a good situation for them. For us, it is important because we are the only undefeated team in the conference and control our own destiny. We'd like to keep it that way."

Injury update

■ Northwest finally got some good news this week from the training room. No Bearcat suffered a serious injury in last week's victory against Southwest Baptist. Also in the good news department, ... Tjeerdsma said, "Getting a lot of people back this week could be good in a lot of ways. We get our better players back and many of them are leaders as well. That makes everybody a lot more comfortable."

Spikers

	MIAA		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
CMSU	10	0	20	3
ESU	8	2	19	4
MWSC	6	5	14	14
NWMSU	5	5	13	6
TSU	4	4	13	10
WU	4	7	11	13
MSSC	4	7	5	16
SBU	4	8	11	12
PSU	2	9	8	11

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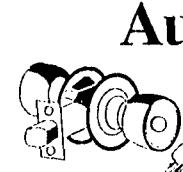
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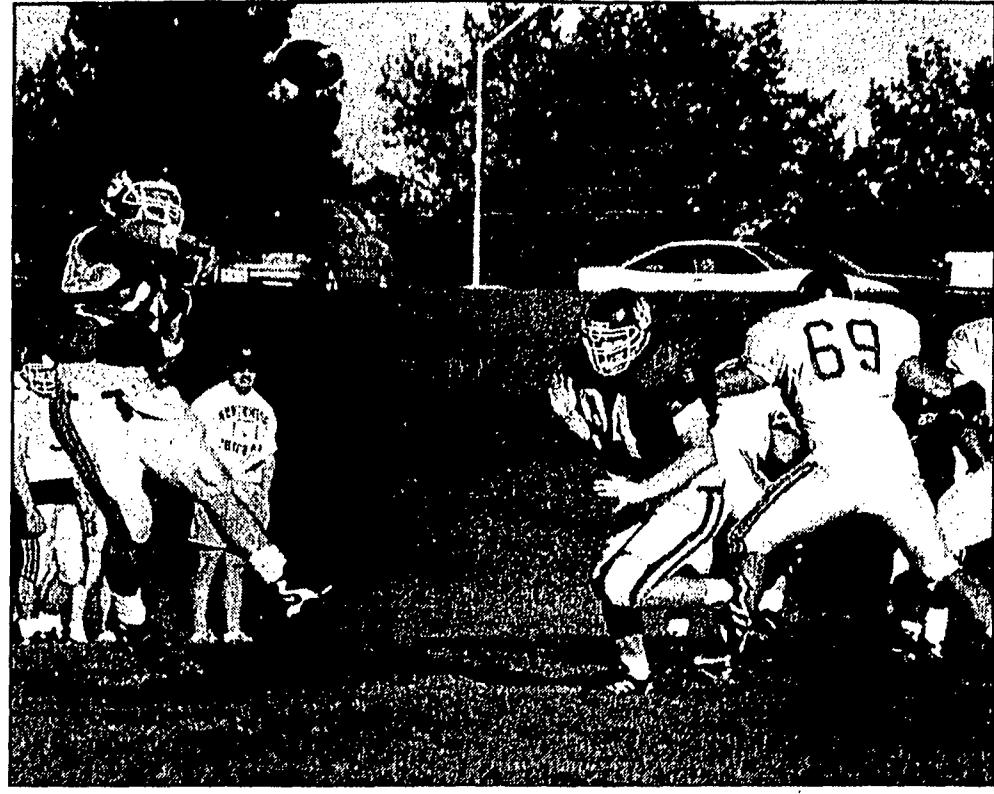
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Catch



Quarterback Chris Greisen tosses a ball downfield during a recent practice. The 'Cats have four games left in the regular season. Following Pitt State this weekend, the team is away at Central and Truman State. They will close out the year at home against Emporia State on Nov. 14. Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

'Hounds football stats

Offensive stats							Maryville total offense		Rush	Pass	Total	Returns
Rushing	TCB	YDS.	+YDS.	AVG.	YDS.	TDS.	LG	Number of plays	181	79	260	45
Otte, Adam	35	393	23	10.57	370	6	65	Number of yards	1118	957	2075	566
Nanninga, Mike	53	324	0	6.11	324	4	27	Yards per play	6.18	12.11	7.98	12.58
Glasnapp, Nick	48	297	58	4.98	239	3	37	Yards per game	186.3	159.5	345.8	94.3
Team Total	181	1,228	110	6.18	1,118	15						

Defensive Stats							Hounds		6 Teams	
Tackles	TACKLE	ASST	PASS	TACKLE	TOT	TACKLES				
Edmonds, J.	46	29	0	2	75					
Pedersen, C.	31	5	0	6	36					
Nanninga, M.	36	9	0	5	45					
Deshon, J.	27	15	0	3	42					
Team Total	253	101	4	29	354					

Points scored		Total		Hounds
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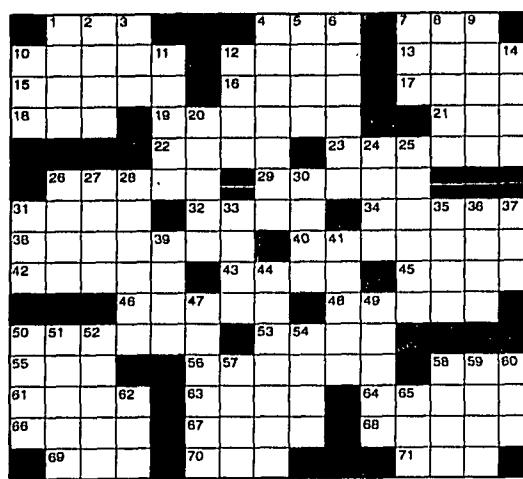
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 1. Before LBJ
 4. Unburden
 7. Give protection
 to
 10. More pristine
 12. Interdiction
 13. Horn's blast
 15. Instructive
 epigram
 16. British school
 17. Hudson or
 De Soto
 18. Lush
 19. Sheen
 21. Squid's tentacle

count
 22. Forgotten
 23. Coat collar
 continuations
 26. Wanton
 creature
 29. Nixon's
 running mate
 in 1960
 31. "____"
 Prentiss" (Ann
 Sheridan film)
 32. College
 33. Applicant,
 usually
 34. Crust or cut

start
 38. Breakfast fare
 40. Milliner's
 creation
 43. Comprehending
 phrase
 45. ____ Indies
 46. Basis of a
 tabloid suit
 48. Get hitched
 50. Unattractive
 53. Exclamations
 55. Cry of triumph
 56. Kind of leather
 58. Related

61. Solemn
 declaration
 63. Sparkling Italian
 town
 64. Martini garnish
 66. The Magi, e.g.
 67. Pun or gang
 ender
 68. Fix up
 69. A.M. follower
 70. Heavy-hearted
 71. Approves



Answers to last issue's puzzle

SPAIN	UPSET	DIESEL
PAPA	TEASE	EVIL
ALPS	TONSELL	LECK
NOR	HENS	HANKS
EMERY	GRAY	
OCOUR	PRUSSIA	
WRITE	FAUNA	MET
NEAT	TAINT	PISA
SET	SAIN	SATION
SEAPORT	CRAPS	
BOS	CHART	
LASSO	CHUM	JIAN
ASTONISHES	NOSE	
NEAR	THICK	ANTE
GARB	SACKS	TSAR

DOWN

1. Self-defense
 method
 2. College gp.
 3. Cask
 4. Change the
 caption
 5. "Go tell ____ the
 Mountain"
 6. Disney duck
 7. ____ loss
 8. Newsboy's
 assignment
 9. Traveler's home
 for a night
 10. Fathers,
 informally
 11. Answer
 12. VFW members
 14. Heaps
 20. Large artery
 24. Water, to

Pedro
 25. Bell or red
 26. Rise rapidly
 27. Johnson of
 "Laugh-in"
 28. Mexican meal
 wrapped in
 corn
 30. ____ in a
 while
 31. Show
 weariness
 33. Author Wiesel
 35. Bosc, e.g.
 36. Not
 challenging
 37. Road groove
 39. Marlene's
 costar in "The
 Blue Angel"
 41. Macho guy

44. Having laths
 47. Detour
 49. Fur merchant
 50. Gibson of
 oysters
 51. Butler's
 beloved
 52. Theme
 54. Scion
 57. Hammert
 poach
 58. Twist in a
 wire
 59. Currier's
 partner
 60. ____ York
 City
 62. Sizzling
 65. Guitarmaker
 Fender



The Stroller

Weekly
 Wanderer
 notices
 problems
 with the
 International
 walkway

Hey everybody. Hope you have all had a good week. Your Man retreated from campus last weekend and was able to spend some quality time with Mom Stroller and his friends. I returned Sunday afternoon feeling good and rejuvenated for the new week.

Before I begin this week's main topic, I've noticed the number of bikers around campus has increased. Your Man was walking home after supper one night last week and was nearly plowed over by a bunch of those biker dudes. Maybe the University should just put up stop lights at each of our complex sidewalk intersections to limit the number of near-disasters caused by the biker dudes on our campus.

Let's talk International Plaza. Personally, Your Man thinks that all around the Plaza looks pretty cool. It's a nice addition to the campus. It's pretty neat the way those big spotlights light up the Plaza at night. Based on the way those lights shine and light up the air, from a distance it makes our campus look like Hollywood to those cars that come in from St. Joseph for happy hour.

I noticed yesterday that the granite letters were finished. But when is the donor wall going to be finished? Don't tell me since the construction guys worked their butts off, allowing the University to dedicate the project on Walkout Day, that now they can take a huge break like the rest of the construction workers on campus and finish it by next year's Walkout Day.

I understand we had a couple little flag problems, too. First of all, Northwest raised the Dominican Republic flag. But Northwest doesn't have any Dominican Republicans. I guess the University messed up and was supposed to raise the Dominica flag. Ops.

I also thought the Plaza was supposed to have 55 flags. It only has 54. Let's discuss

design, shall we? Why didn't we put the American flag in that big circular miniforest or something? Northwest is located in the United States and the American flag represents a majority of the student population. If it was placed in the big circular miniforest, it would have been isolated from the other flags in sort of a centralized position on the Plaza. I don't know. That was just an idea from Yours Truly.

While we're on the subject of that miniforest on the Plaza, I like it, but I think I would've rather seen a fountain. It would have been cool to see water shooting up in the night air with those bright spotlights. It's just a thought to put in the back of the higher powers' minds when they want to renovate the Plaza some day.

The only problem I can see with turning it into a fountain, though, is that we'd probably have some jerks on this campus that would feel the need to vandalize it or relieve themselves in it and ruin it for everybody. For those of you who are reading this and often do things like that, Your Man has two words — grow up.

OK, enough about Northwest's newest addition. Let's talk about other things that bring this campus together week after week — Bearcat football.

The 'Cats did it again last Saturday. They whopped the Southern Baptist Bearcats, 52-17. That's what they get for trying to copy our mascot. Now, we've got Pittsburg State coming in here this weekend. Fans, Your Man suggests you get there early, 'cause this one will be packed. Look for a hard-fought game.

Hopefully, our main man Chris Greisen will connect with Tony "the Tiger" Miles a few times and we can send the Gorillas running back to their cage.

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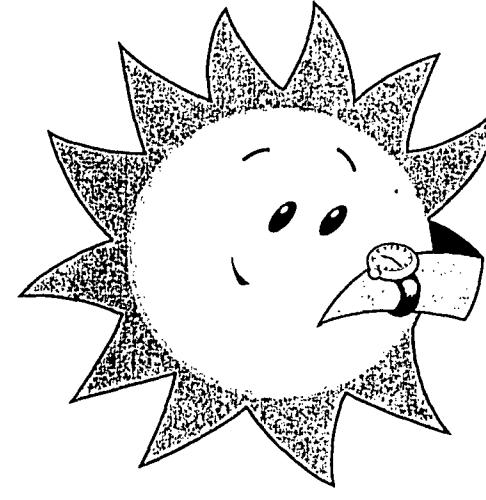
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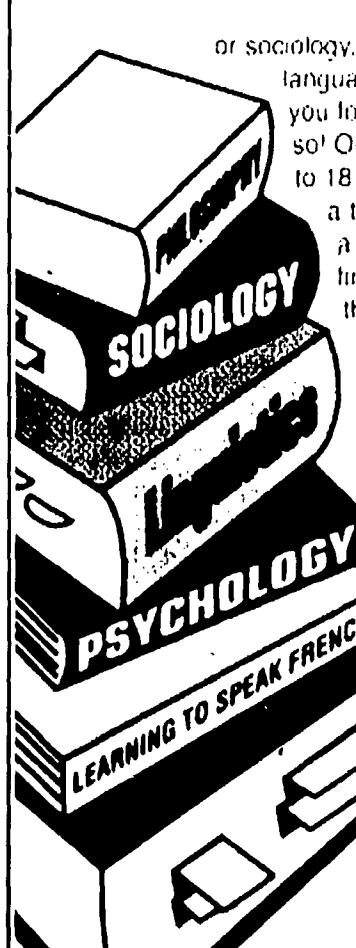
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Birthright discusses pregnancy alternatives

by Heather Butler
Features Editor

Students who find themselves pregnant may think having a child is impossible. Birthright and many other organizations prove it isn't.

Birthright was brought to Maryville 15 years ago by Julia Prokes, Nancy Stoll, Mary Kay Sullivan and Sister Angela Fitzpatrick.

Birthright's philosophy states "it is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born."

The volunteers at Birthright give women someone to talk to if they don't have anywhere else to turn or are afraid to tell their boyfriend, husband or parents.

"If a girl comes in here, I talk about the situation with her a little," Birthright volunteer Charlotte Dunn said. "We talk about her finances and if she doesn't have the money I show her all of the organizations that are there to help her."

The next step is for the pregnant woman to decide if she is going to keep the baby or not. If she decides to have the child, Birthright is there for her so she doesn't feel alone.

"She needs to think about it first so she makes the right decision," Dunn said. "Then we have a long talk about what she is going to say to her boyfriend and parents."

If the woman has no one to turn to, Birthright volunteers refer the woman to Lighthouse in Kansas City, Mo.

Lighthouse is a crisis pregnancy center and adoption center for young women during unplanned pregnancies. Lighthouse lets pregnant women live at the crisis center during their pregnancies.

The center has a pool, field trips for the women, provides games and lets women be around others in similar situations.

Women who live at the Lighthouse during their pregnancies may have phone calls, family and friends visit and may go home on the weekends and holidays if they choose.

It is not necessary to live at Lighthouse. A woman may still receive the free birth privileges while living at home.

Lighthouse has its own medical clinic staffed with qualified physicians and nurses. They deliver the baby at a nearby medical research center.

"Women need to be aware of what is available to them," Dunn said. "We give them a place where they can confide their problems and also receive help with clothes, diapers and the option to keep their baby."

Birthright keeps information private as well. No one has access to the information shared when they come in to talk.

"The most important thing about this place is that it is confidential," Dunn said. "If someone's mom or boyfriend calls to find out anything about the visit they will not have access to that information."

Birthright operates on volunteers and donations. Volunteers are welcome anytime. There is a training session involved that explains what Birthright is about. To volunteer either call the office or go in and speak to one of the other volunteers. The address is 1241/2 E. Third Street and the number is (660)582-8604. The hotline number is 1-800-530-4500.



Splitting time between going to school full-time and raising a child, Bryce and Brandi Kemper focus their attention on the most important thing in their lives: their son Braydn. Bryce and Brandi are an example for all college students that continuing an education and raising a child at the same time can be accomplished.

Mike Ransdell/
Chief Photographer

Baby Demands Change of Focus

Married students quickly learn how to juggle classes, homework, jobs, family when raising a child

by Kimberly Mansfield
Missourian Reporter

Between classes and all of the activities students participate in, not to mention homework, finding time for yourself is nearly impossible, let alone concentrating on another individual. But what if that individual was entirely dependent on you for everything?

A load of classes and homework is not all students who are parents have to worry about. Children depend on their parents for everything: food, water, cleanliness, being changed and entertained, not to mention health and safety.

Financial aspects also have to be considered. Children are expensive. Diapers and formula are not a one-time expense and are not cheap items.

Students who are parents also have to consider what to do with the child while they are in class, and the time of the day that would be best to leave the child in the care of another. Their list of daily worries is endless.

Merely having a baby as a young person provides statistical barriers to overcome. Of young, unmarried women who unintentionally become pregnant, 50 percent of the pregnancies will end in abortion according to national statistics provided by the Campaign for our Children organization.

Bryce Kemper, undecided major, and Brandi Kemper, accounting major, are both 19-year-old sophomores taking 12 credit hours and tackling parenthood. Braydn, their 9-month-old son, was unplanned.

"Prom-night special, we think," Brandi said. "I didn't know I was pregnant when I came to college. We didn't even know I was pregnant until I was seven months along."

Not only did the Kempers have to deal with having a child so young, they also faced the possible death of their



Mike Ransdell/Chief Photographer
Exhausted from a full day of classes, Brandi Kemper comes home to her son Braydn who is always full of energy. Brandi and her husband Bryce Kemper have opposite class schedules so that one of them will always be with Braydn.

child before it was even born.

Bryce had to have an emergency Caesarian section two weeks before Braydn's official due date. The umbilical cord had wrapped around Braydn's neck and was tightening. Braydn was strangled.

"We thought he was going to die," Bryce said. "He had a bruised up face and everything."

After Braydn was born, everything turned out fine. Things have fallen into place well for the Kempers, even though some big adjustments had to take place.

Bryce takes classes in the morning and Bryce takes his classes in the afternoon so they don't have to leave Braydn with anyone. Bryce thinks this is the best alternative.

"We get to raise him, potty train him and not have to worry about a sitter doing it," Bryce said. "When he starts school we'll be out of school, so it's kinda neat how we'll be able to raise him."

The Kempers handle finances with

the help of grants and loans. They also receive government assistance through food stamps and housing. The Kempers work all summer to save up for the following year. They also go back to their hometown of Cameron once a month to work at Wal-Mart.

"The pros is obviously we had to get loans and we're going to be big time in debt when we get out of college, but it also beats one of us having to quit college to get a job to pay for him, and now we're going to both have good paying jobs," Bryce said.

Bryce and Bryce realized time had to be managed well to fit everything in. Neither have time for clubs or organizations outside of going to classes.

"We just kinda have to plan," Bryce said. "We just have to set our schedule, like this night we're going to watch TV for this amount of time, no matter what happens. Homework just usually happens."

The Kempers realize how lucky they are with things working out well for them.



Mike Ransdell/Chief Photographer
Bryce Kemper has a tough time typing his paper with Braydn's help. While Brandi is at school, Bryce often has to do his homework and entertain Braydn at the same time.

"We're pretty fortunate considering the situation we're in, having to go through college and everything," Bryce said.

Bryce acknowledged there are also disadvantages.

"The con is that you have to grow up real fast, but I don't regret it," Bryce said. "There's nothing more proud than

holding him that first time. You forget all about the cons."

The Kempers encourage students who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant to stay in school.

"I would tell anybody who got pregnant in college not to drop out," Bryce said. "It's just not worth it. You can do it somehow. It's better in the long run."

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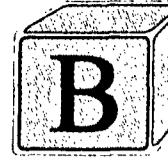
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The Northwest Missourian

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— Mel Carnahan, governor of Missouri



Governor visits, explains position

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

The first question a Horace Mann Lab School fourth-level student from Saudi Arabia wanted answered when he heard Governor Mel Carnahan would be visiting was what a governor is.

Carnahan went about defining his role by explaining the difference between state and federal governors.

"The elected person to run a state is called a governor," Carnahan said. "The elected person who runs the country is called a president. We have a lot of other states, 50 states, in our country. And really a lot of governmental functions are done by the states."

Carnahan visited Horace Mann and Nodaway County Senior Cen-

ter Tuesday on his trip to endorse two local Democrats, Beth Wheeler, state Senate candidate, and Bridget Brown, state Representative candidate.

University President Dean Hubbard greeted Carnahan at the International Plaza and took him to Horace Mann, where Carnahan read to students. Carnahan was pleased with Northwest, especially the electronic campus and math and science departments.

"I have always been an admirer of the University," Carnahan said. "Of course, their winning of the (Missouri) Quality Award was not an accident. That was a huge undertaking for the University to earn that. And then of course, they do a lot of networking with the schools,

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MISSOURI GOV. MEL CARNAHAN SHAKES HANDS AND EXCHANGES INTRODUCTIONS WITH SHARON STRATTON'S FOURTH-LEVEL CLASS. CARNAHAN READ A COUPLE OF PAGES FROM 'JIP' TO THE CLASS.

CARNAHAN WAS IN MARYVILLE TO ENDORSE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES BRIDGET BROWN AND BETH WHEELER FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATE RESPECTIVELY.

Politicians debate on TV

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

Missouri's 12th district senatorial race heated up when the two candidates debated live on KQZ Wednesday night.

It was the first televised showdown between Republican incumbent Sam Graves and Democratic challenger Beth Wheeler.

The winner of the Nov. 3 election will be the representative for 16 counties in northwest Missouri. Both said the debate was an excellent opportunity to let voters know about their views.

While Wheeler said some questions were based on false advertisements, Graves said he had evidence to back his paid announcements.

A main difference appeared in a means to achieve the district's better representation.

"I heard Senator Graves' representatives say we don't want friends in Jefferson City and don't be misled," Wheeler said. "The way you compete for limited resources is by getting more people on your team and by letting them understand your district, presenting it in a way they understand, learning about their district and what their needs are and how we match up together and how we can work cooperatively together. We need to build relationships, not point fingers and heckle from the stands."

However, Graves was opposed to Wheeler's

For more information regarding the views of candidates for state Senate and Representative, see page 3.

political strategy.

"If you go to Jefferson City to get along, you're going to get run over every time," Graves said. "I think an individual ought to go down and fight for what we need, and that is northwest Missouri, the 12th district. I'm a representative of the people of the 12th district to Jefferson City. I do not represent Jefferson City back to the people of the 12th district, and I think that's a very important difference."

The two candidates expressed their impacts on Northwest. Graves said his record in the legislature proves he helped raise money for the University.

"In the years I've been at the legislature, it's (Northwest funding) gone up 47.6 percent. That is almost \$9 million," Graves said. "I don't think it has hurt one bit. Again, you get in there and fight for the needs of your district."

On the other side, Wheeler said Graves cannot claim responsibility for the increase, because the University developed a positive relationship with the legislators and the state government.

"I was working at Northwest Missouri State University, and one of the things I got to do was work with the legislature and the governor's office to get a good recommendation from the governor and to follow that all the way through," Wheeler said. "So I'm not sure (Graves) can take credit for all that."

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Student dies in car wreck; University mourns loss

by Lindsey Corey
News Editor

Just last week he was chatting with classmates. Now his seat is empty and members of the Northwest family are trying to deal with the loss of a fellow student and friend.

"Not only was he well-liked, a lot of people loved him," Quinton Evans, agricultural science major, said. "He lived his short life to the fullest."

McCaren (Mac) Cummings died Sunday as a result of injuries suffered in a one-car accident Saturday.

At approximately 3:10 a.m. Saturday, the 20-year-old physical education major drove his truck off the right edge of Route B in his hometown, Perry. He then overcorrected, crossed the center line and struck a tree on the left side of the road, according to 1983 Chevrolet S-10, according to Missouri Highway Patrol reports.

Perry Police and Ralls County Sheriff's departments assisted at the scene. Details of the accident are still under investigation by Roland

Bartels, Highway Patrolman. Cummings was transported to University of Missouri Hospitals and Clinics in Columbia to undergo surgery. He died there at 4:17 a.m. Sunday.

Memorial services were Wednesday in Perry.

"He was the type of guy who would want everybody to move on and remember the good times," Evans said. "He always had fun at what he did."

Cummings graduated from Mark Twain High School in Center in 1996. Since he was active in athletics, a memorial fund was named in his honor to support the high school's athletic department.

"He was just a good kid. He wasn't a stand-out athlete. He wasn't a stand-out student," said Larry Rawlings, high school athletic director. "I never heard him say a bad thing about anybody. He was always a pleasure to be around."

Memorials can be sent to Mac Cummings Memorial Fund, in care of Mark Twain High School Athletic Department, 21622 Highway 19, Center, Mo. 63436.

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Wal-Mart company expresses interest in expanding locally

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

The Maryville Wal-Mart is looking at the possibilities of expanding its store and becoming a Super Wal-Mart sometime in the near future.

If the store were to expand, that would mean it would also sell food products in addition to the usual clothing and household items. Daphne Davis, spokeswoman at Wal-Mart headquarters in Bentonville, Ark., said Wal-Mart is interested in expanding its Maryville store.

"We're looking at it," Davis said. "We're evaluating the market."

According to Joe Gentry, an assistant store manager, the store has been contacted about headquarters' consideration of possible local expansion, although no definite plans have been set.

However, this is just a preplanning stage, and there is no schedule as of yet for expansion implementation, Davis said.

"We're aware of the opportunities to expand," Davis said. "But I'm just not aware of any immediate plan right now."

Grocery stores in town have different stands on the Super Wal-Mart issue. John's Hometown Market may be forced to close if Wal-Mart is expanded to include selling groceries. Store Manager John Kersey said.

"Personally, we will close the store," Kersey said. "They have a tendency to drive a little guy out of business."

Jerry Veer, Food-4-Less store manager, said the new Wal-Mart would affect business to some extent, but it would not be a threat.

"We have to do what we have to do," Veer said. "Wal-Mart was built in Maryville 12 years ago. It made renovations and extended its store hours last year."

Past cabinet member discusses public bias

by Heather Butler
Features Editor



Within four years, Hazel O'Leary declassified thousands of Cold War documents, endorsed the Test Ban Treaty and earned billions of dollars for American corporations by actively promoting international-trade agreements.

O'Leary visited Northwest Tuesday to participate in the distinguished lecture series sponsored by Encore Performances.

She was the only African-American woman to serve in President Bill Clinton's administration and the first woman to become secretary of energy.

O'Leary spoke to students and faculty about her job as the secretary of energy under Clinton's first administration.

The secretary of energy is responsible for controlling the nation's nuclear arsenals, scientific and research reactors, and getting rid of America's nuclear, commercial and military production waste, O'Leary said.

"Weapons clean-up is cleaning up the waste at 35 sites in 32 states where the contamination has ruined the soil and, in some places, the water table," she said. "It is by far the largest part of what the Department of Energy does."

O'Leary also talked about what leadership qualities will be needed in the future.

She used the example of Guttenberg's printing press, dramatically changing society when it was invented and compared it to today's changing society with Microsoft, e-mail and the Internet.

O'Leary said we are heading into a future of uncertainty.

"It's chaos," she said. "We can no longer predictably determine what's going to happen next. We really can't plan for a definite, the most you can plan for is chaos."

O'Leary went on to ask the audience to raise their hands if they were planning on working for America's corporate companies.

She then asked the audience how many people they believe will be working in corporate offices by 2020. The audience eagerly shouted out their guesses.

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Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Former Bearcat football player Kraig Evans (left) runs through offensive drills with the secondary team Wednesday afternoon. The 'Cats have two days left before their showdown with the Pittsburg State Gorillas. In their last meeting, the 'Cats defeated Pitt State 15-14 in the fourth quarter. Kick off will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

a win, but we're going to prepare seriously for them.

And I'm sure they are preparing seriously for us as well."

Pitt State provides a balanced attack in regards to offense, defense and special teams.

Tjeerdsma said you start defensively when you talk about the Gorillas and then the talk turns to special teams.

Brian Moorman, a first team all-American punter, leads the special teams along with place-kicker Josh Barcus.

"We are where we want to be and this will be a big win because of the magnitude of the season," Tjeerdsma said. "I don't feel we have to prove ourselves with

Barcus has made 12 of 14 field goal attempts this season.

Offensively, the Gorillas execute well and have a ball control type offense which could hinder Northwest's offense, Tjeerdsma said.

"Defensively, we have to play well because I don't think we can allow them to control the football," Tjeerdsma said. "If they keep their offense on the field it will keep our offense off the field. So we are going to need some three and outs from our defense."

Junior safety David Carlson said the Bearcats will be challenged on the defensive side of the ball Saturday.

"Their quarterback (Zach Siegrist) is good at running the option," Carlson said. "Then if he pitches the ball, the running backs are fast if they get outside. But (Siegrist) can then step back and throw it up to (Douglas) Hix. They are really balanced."

Home field advantage has not been a factor in the last two clashes between the 'Cats and Gorillas, with the visiting team winning both games.

"It always helps to play on your home field," Andy Erpelding, sophomore tackle, said of the Rickenbode clash. "The fans will be backing you up and you want to perform well for them."

Tjeerdsma said he thinks playing at the friendly confines of Rickenbode Stadium will benefit the Bearcats and their fans.

"I'm thrilled we're playing at home because that is really good for this community and the program," Tjeerdsma said. "It's great to have a game of this magnitude on our campus and hopefully it will be nice weather."

Mother Nature has not acted kindly the past two years with driving rainfall influencing the outcome of both contests.

"We'd like to have a nice, dry day," Tjeerdsma said.

"From our standpoint, we want to throw the football, and you probably want to do that on a dry day that's conducive to that, rather than a soaked field and a downpour."

No matter what, one thing is for sure: whomever wins this ballgame will have the inside track to the MIAA championship and a probable home-field advantage in the playoffs.

Our View

Safety problems need attention

In light of events around the nation and on this campus lately, safety concerns should be taking top priority.

Northwest is safer than many campuses, but it still has its share of problems.

A week before Homecoming, a resident of Roberta Hall came home to find a man in her shower. During Homecoming weekend, a Franken Hall resident had three men enter her room while her roommate had stepped out for a minute.

Fortunately, neither of the women were harmed, and the unwanted guests left when the women screamed. They were lucky. Anything could have happened to them in that type of situation.

Precautions could have been, and should have been, taken to prevent the men from entering the rooms.

In a letter to the editor from Jaime VanBelkum in the *Missourian* last week, more concerns for students' safety at Northwest were addressed.

The letter discussed a routine traffic stop made by Campus Safety.

VanBelkum was concerned about the conduct of Campus Safety and how they treated her sister.

Her sister's friend was pulled over and arrested for driving while intoxicated. VanBelkum said her sister was told she would have to walk home alone at 1:30 a.m., because she said she was unable to drive.

After talking with Campus Safety, it seems they simply followed policy.

They only escort people to destinations on campus, and VanBelkum's sister would have had to go off campus. Officers said they asked VanBelkum's sister if they could call someone to give her a ride, but she didn't ask for anyone.

Added to that, they only had one dispatcher and one officer on patrol that night due to illness; therefore, they didn't have the man power to escort someone on campus. So, it was routine.

But, we don't think that routine is as safe as it should be. It was Homecoming weekend, the biggest event at Northwest all year, and the woman was intoxicated.

Regardless if it is policy or not, someone should have made sure she made it safely home.

Maryville Public Safety follows a similar policy. Rarely do they escort people. Usually, they let them walk or offer to call someone for them.

Maybe it is the offenders' faults they are in these situations in the first place, but we

don't think young women, or men for that matter, should be made to walk home alone in the early hours of the morning. That isn't safe, no matter what policy says.

Another safety issue at Northwest is emergency phone access. There is supposed to be a phone in the foyer of every building. There isn't.

Many of the buildings have phones located beyond the foyer; although, this serves no purpose when the building closes for the evening.

We want to know how effective phones inside the building are. Why doesn't Northwest install emergency phones on campus, outside of the buildings?

Although Campus Safety wouldn't be involved in a final decision regarding the installation of emergency telephones, they did tell us the idea has been discussed and they have weighed the options. However, due to the estimated cost and the possible threat of vandalism, it wouldn't be beneficial to the University.

Let's take a chance and try it. We never know for sure if it will be beneficial until we try.

On a positive note, lighting on campus is improving.

The addition of more than 65 new lights in various locations will drastically improve safety conditions on campus.

We applaud the additions and challenge the University to keep them in good working order in the future.

Still, people can blame whomever they want for lapses in safety; however, the fact remains that safety begins with individuals first.

Be responsible for yourself. When leaving your home, make sure the door is locked. When you come home, lock the door behind you.

Walk in groups, and if that isn't an option, stay alert, and be aware of what's going on around you.

If you are going to drink, please don't drive. That's a simple rule people need to follow. If you aren't worried about yourself, think about everyone else out on the roads.

Don't let people you don't know into your home. Always ask who it is first.

The safety of those who attend Northwest is in everyone's hands.

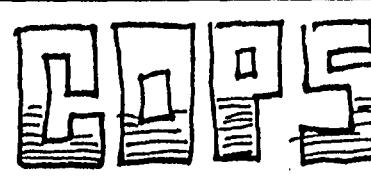
We hope Campus Safety will re-evaluate some of its policies, that the University will look into better placement of emergency phones, that lights will continue to be added, and most importantly, that people will start taking responsibility for themselves and anticipating what could happen.

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TRUE STORIES FROM the MEN & WOMEN of MARYVILLE P.B.
It was a really tough ordeal, the calls both came in at the same time. College kids having a wild party, you know, perverse acts, satanism, underage drinking.

The other call wasn't any better.

Some high school hoodlums loitering around some local food joints, exposing

themselves and probably selling narcotics. You never know these days.

I called in for backup to one of the 50 other officers on duty that night and we handled the situation.

It's a tough town here, folks would be surprised.



Viewpoint

'Cats ready for rival game, fan support imperative



■ John Yates
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First of all I would like to commend the students. Up to this point of the football season, you have been a huge asset in Rickenbrode Stadium. Just a few short years ago, we, the administration and athletic departments, were scratching our heads trying to get students to the games. And now, some want to control. Hey, I want to say thanks for coming and keep up the enthusiasm. It has been noticed, appreciated and will make a difference these last few games.

Now for my intended message: The season up to this point has gone pretty much as expected, and this Saturday, Pittsburg State will walk into Rickenbrode for a game with MIAA, regional and national implications. Not only do they expect to win, they plan on dominating us. Their fans plan on covering the stadium with red and gold. Last year's win in Pittsburg, to them, was a fluke. To them, we are not the team to beat. They remember two years ago, when they stood alone in line for tickets in pouring rain. They remember not only the outcome, but how they walked into our house and did anything they wanted to.

So how far have we fans come in the Tjeersma era? Sure we expect to win, and why not? We have some of the finest student athletes and an outstanding coaching staff that we are blessed to have kept this long. Our coaches and athletes expect to win as well. We know how far they have come, but have we as fans made the same strides?

Winning is a learning process for all involved, including the fans. We are

there in numbers, and sitting comfortably is not an option for us to dominate. When you hear Ken White announce, "and that's good for another Bearcat..." you should send that FIRST DOWN across to the opposing sideline loud, proud and strong. Every third down when we are on defense is a time for us to get up and create noise nonstop. When Bobby Bearcat gets lifted to do push-ups, that's our opportunity to remind our guests just how many points we have. When the band plays our fight song, get up, put your hands together; that's our time to celebrate. So spell out B-E-A-R-C-A-T-S so loud that all of downtown knows we just scored. When you hear the students start off by chanting B-E-A-R, we finish C-A-T-S.

Players and coaches may not hear everything, but they can feel the emotion and it does drive them to go further than before. We're getting better, but we are not at the level of those we are supporting. If we want to dominate, like Pitt State, then we need to beat them at their own game. When they show up Saturday, do not back down. There is a new king of the MIAA, and you as fans need to remind them, as well as every other team we face. Energy is contagious and if you're the opposition, it can be intimidating.

Be the difference, make the Bearcats as proud of us as we are of them. You hear the chant "Whose house?" You can best believe it's "Our house!"

John Yates is the assistant director of admissions and cheerleading coach.

It's Your Turn

What issues are important to you during this election year and why?



"The rural highways are deteriorating and very little improvement has been made in recent years. I also hate to see our tax dollars go into Kansas City schools. We need the funds here for our schools."

Angela Hagey, computer technology major



"Integrity and the government along with the economy. Also what we can do to regain the agricultural markets."

Dick Thomson, president of Nodaway Valley Bank



"I would like tougher crime laws passed."

David Szyhowski, psychology major

My Turn

Sports fanatics urged to lighten up; should keep in mind it's just a game



■ Joni Jones
E-mail lists regarding Division II football matchups get way out of hand

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If there is one thing I have learned during the past year, it is that men love their sports.

They live and die by how well their favorite teams do in the polls each week. I've never seen one event make grown men cry like babies or bring down the house with their joyous yell after a touchdown.

I, on the other hand, say that sports shouldn't be taken so seriously, and I think you will see why as you read more of this column.

The fact remains that sports are like a religion to men. They worship the teams, pray for their success and safety and rejoice when salvation finds their Gridiron Challenge receiver in the end zone.

And with Internet sites that let people pick who's going to win each week, with prizes ranging from money, points or just bragging rights, like the Gridiron Challenge, Fantasy Football and Pigskin Picks, worshipping sports doesn't just happen in living rooms any more.

My boyfriend, who has written sports for the *Missourian* for the past four and a half years, has often had it said about him that sports are his life. It's true. He takes his sports and his teams seriously, but the key is not too seriously.

He is part of a Division II e-mail list. The list is a bunch of guys (and some girls) from Division II schools who talk trash, hype up their respective teams and make challenges regarding upcoming games.

Two e-mails he received this week from some charming individual who attends Pittsburg State, and signs his messages "Bad Ass Gorilla," reaffirmed my belief that people need to lighten up about sports and get a grip on their lives. Heed this: It's just a game.

It all started when my boyfriend wrote an e-mail regarding the Bearcats' upcoming game against Pitt State this weekend. I was actually quite proud of

the way it was written.

There were no lunatic ravings about how the Bearcats were the best in the division and how they would demolish Pitt State Saturday. Instead, it just said what a good game it was going to be. He even said the two teams were the "class of the MIAA."

However, the reply from "Bad Ass" had me thinking that serious counseling should be in his future.

He totally overreacted, and, amid the profanity, he managed to insult my boyfriend, the *Missourian*, Bearcat head coach Mel Tjeersma, quarterback Chris Greisen and anyone who is from Texas before he was done. And the best part was how he ended the e-mail, "you better lock up your women and children next Saturday... so much for your afterglow."

What in the world does he mean by that? Does that scare anyone else?

Now do you see what I mean by some people taking sports a little too seriously?

Well, my boyfriend had to defend his team, so he wrote "Bad Ass" back a private message, and from what he told me, didn't stoop to the same level, but managed to get his point across. "Bad Ass" replied to him with even more vulgarities and profanity than before. This time, the insults extended to include the rest of the team and anyone who wasn't from Texas.

In my opinion, there is no need to take things to such an extreme level. It is just e-mail, and in my opinion it is all a little juvenile.

Sports fanatics need to calm down. I know sports are an important part of their lives, but it shouldn't rule their lives. And e-mails supporting matchups or hyping up a team should all be in good fun — they shouldn't garner psychotic replies. Lighten up, it's just a game.

Joni Jones is the Managing Editor of The Northwest Missourian.



"I think the economy is the most important with education a very close second."

John Standford, teacher



"Character is very important to me."

Turner Gary, sales



"They need to focus more on education in this area, rather than in other areas."

Cammi Zimmerman, clerical

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Comments in the Oct. 15 edition of the Northwest Missourian in the story titled "Professors collecting signatures" were not from a constituent. The professor mentioned in the story is not a constituent.

Election '98: Where they stand

State Senate District 12 candidates



Residence: Tarkio

Education: Bachelor's degree in agriculture, University of Missouri-Columbia

Experience, qualifications: Two years in the House of Representatives; four years in the Senate; farmer, father, small business owner

On running: To continue the fight for equity in education funding, lower taxes, less government and better roads and bridges.

On education: I am proud of the work that we have done for Northwest funding. They receive 47.6 percent more funding now than they did six years ago. That is an increase of over \$9 million every year. In K-12 education, I will continue to fight for our fair share of funding. I will not sit quietly while St. Louis and Kansas City continue to take our children's money.

On transportation: Continue to fight for completion of 15-year plan money. Stop the shift of state road and bridge dollars from our rural areas to urban mass transit systems.

On agriculture: We must continue to work for increased agricultural exports. In addition, value added and alternative crop incentive programs must continue to be funded by the general assembly.



Residence: Maryville

Education: Bachelor's degree from Missouri Western, master's degree from Central Missouri State

Experience, qualifications: State representative, 1986-92; director of legislative affairs for Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan, 1993-95; vice president for community relations at Northwest, 1995-98

On running: We deserve and need a voice that will be heard in state government. I believe north Missouri has been poorly represented in the Missouri Senate.

On education: We must assure that schools provide a safe and drug-free environment for students. Student achievement must continue to improve.

On transportation: Our district needs a capable, creative senator to guide and assist these projects in the general assembly, not someone who is a road block. My legislative experience and knowledge of the entire district allows me to be immediately effective.

On agriculture: A profitable agricultural economy is crucial not only to the people in our district but to our state and nation, as well. A safe, reliable and constant food supply is essential.

State Representative District 4 candidates



Residence: Maryville

Education: Trenton Junior College; Draughn Business College and traffic training course at Central Missouri State

Experience, qualifications: State representative elected in 1994 and 1996; Missouri State Highway Patrol officer for 32 years in northwest Missouri

On running: As a highway patrol officer, I've spent most of my adult life enforcing laws. I have thoroughly enjoyed participating in the process on making laws the last four years. I've been active in some of our most important legislation this session. I hope to continue that involvement for another term.

On education: I will support efforts to equalize the funding formula so that rural schools receive the same level of per pupil funding as urban schools do.

On transportation: Last summer I vice-chaired a task force on transportation. This investigation led to a bipartisan task force, resulting in the "MoDOT Accountability" for completion of the 15-year plan dealing with improvement of our roads and bridges.

On agriculture: We must continue to seek new markets for our farm produce, as well as opportunities to add value to it, such as has been done with soy products and ethanol from corn.



Residence: Maryville

Education: Bachelor's degree in English from Sam Houston State; master's degree from Northwest

Experience, qualifications: Sixth year on the Maryville City Council, second year as Maryville mayor; Northwest Regional Council of Governments board member; Missouri Municipal League board of directors, northwest region past president

On running: I believe that we need a stronger voice and a greater vision in Jefferson City as we enter the 21st century. I believe my background in education, business and government and my conviction that we need a regional approach to future solutions qualify me to serve the people of northwest Missouri in this capacity.

On education: Vigilant representation of issues and funding that most directly affect our local schools. Vigorous support of higher education and its vital role in the future of Missouri, the nation and the world.

On transportation: A committed, consistent approach that includes local input and values the right of every citizen to safe, modern transportation, is the only plan we should support.

On agriculture: If we don't find a way to support small family farms, we give up the most unique resource that the Midwest has to offer.

In Brief

Blood drive Friday

The American Red Cross is having a blood drive from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Nodaway Senior Center, located at 1210 E. First St.

For more information or to schedule an appointment call 582-8160.

Flag added to Plaza

Dominica's flag was added to the International Plaza Monday, 10 days after the opening ceremony.

The flag did not arrive in time for the plaza's flag raising ceremony Oct. 9, because a Dominican Republic national flag was mistakenly sent.

Three Dominica students raised the flag, surrounded by approximately 20 faculty and students.

Although Dominica students were upset when their flag was not raised at the ceremony, they were satisfied with the outcome.

"I think it was timely," Vernie Greenaway said. "It was a mishap. I'm happy that we got the right flag finally."

Greeks bike for tikes

Alpha Sigma Alpha is sponsoring Bikes for Tikes Saturday, at Lamkin Circle Drive.

Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the two mile bike/walk/run begins at 9 a.m.

There is a \$10 entry fee which includes a T-shirt. Proceeds go to S. June Smith Center in Lancaster, Penn. The center provides programs of early intervention to meet the needs of infants and pre-school age children with developmental and mental delays.

MCCA hosts forum

Maryville Citizens for Community Action and the Greater Maryville Chamber of Commerce invited national, state and local candidates to participate in a forum at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the second floor courtroom of the Nodaway County Courthouse.

Ballot initiatives will also be discussed and audience questions will be answered. Refreshments will be served.

For more information contact David McLaughlin at 562-1697 or Lisa Macali at 582-4490.

Shelter seeks cans

The Maryville Animal Shelter, managed by New Nodaway County Humane Society, is sponsoring a "Paws to Recycle" fund-raiser during the fall months. The drive involves recycling aluminum cans to be redeemed for money and pet food.

The local shelter is competing with others across the nation to draw attention to the environment, animals and earn \$3,000.

People are asked to bring clean cans to the shelter on Highway 36 east of Maryville Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, call 562-3333 or 582-7337.

Campus offers peak

The annual Sneak Preview for interested high school juniors and seniors will bring approximately 100 students to campus Saturday.

The day will begin at 9 a.m. in the Fine Arts Building. Prospective Northwest students will meet with professors and leaders of student organizations during a fair in Bearcat Arena. They will also tour campus, view a mock lecture and attend

the Bearcat football game. Information regarding admission requirements and financial aid will be available.

Club collects food

Maryville High School Key Club will be trick-or-treating for the Food Pantry from 7 to 8:15 p.m. Tuesday. Key Club is a student service organization.

Group offers coats

Today's Civic Women will distribute coats of all sizes from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Armory on campus.

For more information about the Coats for Kids program, contact Diane Foster at 582-7775.

Fund drive underway

The annual fund drive for public radio stations KXCV and KRNW is this week. The fund drive helps with the costs of programming.

Station Manager Sharon Bonett said the station is asking listeners for about one-third of the total programming cost. The fund drive will run until the station signs off the air Saturday.

The station is on its way to a goal of \$38,000.

Boy dies by lightning

A 13-year-old St. Joseph boy died of a lightning strike to his body that stopped his heart Saturday, according to Andrew County Deputy Coroner Vicki Groce.

Chad Joseph Kendall was duck hunting with his uncle Saturday at the Nodaway Valley Conservation Area northwest of Fillmore, when he was struck by lightning at 7 a.m.

The uncle performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the two were taken to St. Francis Hospital by another hunter. Kendall was pronounced dead at the hospital.

S.O.S. event planned

Sigma Sigma Sigma will sponsor the fourth annual Speak Out for Stephanie "Walk for a Change" at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, beginning at the Conference Center.

S.O.S. Foundation founders Gene and Peggy Schmidt, Stephanie's parents, will address participants and the walk will immediately follow.

"Refreshments" provided by Hy-Vee will be available at the end of the walk.

Stanberry girl dies

Bobbi Jo Elizabeth Johnson, 7, Stanberry, died last Thursday at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

Family members and doctors speculate a brown recluse spider bite may have caused the second-grader's death.

An autopsy was performed that day but its results had not been released at press time.

Church plans dinner

St. Gregory's Church will sponsor its annual Fall Parish Dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The main courses will be turkey and ham. Meals are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children ages 6 through 12. Children under 5 years old eat free.

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Prime time comedians to perform on campus



■ Melanie Comarcho

■ Pablo Francisco

by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

Laughter will fill Mary Linn Performing Arts Center tonight.

The Night of 1,000 Laughs will feature comedians Melanie Comarcho and Pablo Francisco at 7:30 p.m.

Bryan Vanosdale, student activities director, had a chance to see both Comarcho and Francisco at a convention for student activities.

Vanosdale said they are extremely funny and have good credentials.

"They brought the house down," Vanosdale said. "They would be very entertaining to the students and hopefully they would have an enjoyable evening of laughs."

Comarcho has been performing for about five years. She has made

appearances on late night shows including "VIBE," "The Keenen Ivory Wayans Show," "It's Showtime at the Apollo" and "Def Comedy Jam." She also had a role in the motion picture "Money Talks" with Chris Tucker.

Her comedy act focuses on a woman's side of male-female relationships and with the aspects of being a single mother.

"She is not silly," Comarcho's agent Jeff Carroll said. "She is straight up. She keeps it real."

Aside from Northwest, Comarcho has toured many major universities.

Francisco has appeared at The Improv, Comedy and Magic Club and The Comedy Store. He also produced a compact disc.

Tickets are on sale for \$5 at the door or at Student Services.

Virtual party proves inciteful

by Kimberly Mansfield
Missourian Reporter

Music is heard over the tinkling of glasses and the friendly chatter of the people mingling. It's a virtual party called Alcohol 101.

This party is available to students in the library on reserve and the front desk of each residence hall.

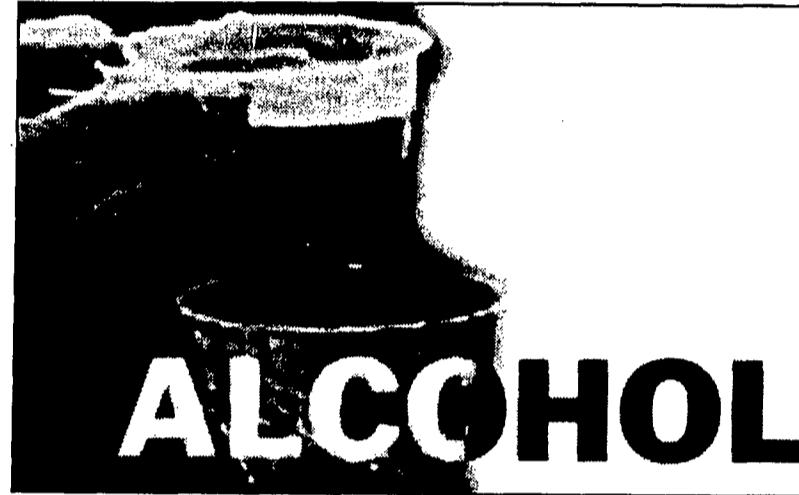
Alcohol 101 is a CD-ROM game that simulates a party with alcohol involved. As with any game, participants make choices that change the outcome of the game every time it's played.

At the beginning of the program, some basic questions have to be answered including age, weight, height and gender. The party music is the player's choice; options include country, urban, club or rock music.

A drinking plan must then be chosen. The decision to have a few drinks or to get wasted is up to the player. How much food has been consumed and how the player is feeling are the following questions to be answered. The player also reveals how much alcohol they consume in an average week. Next, the player gets to guess the average amount of alcohol the average male or female college student consumes in a week.

Upon arrival at the virtual party, the virtual bar is displayed and drinks are chosen. At this point, the player can choose as little or as much to drink as desired, without any consequences. After choosing a drink, the decision of whether to sip, drink or slam the alcohol is presented. As the alcohol is being consumed, a sidebar shows the player's blood alcohol content and the effects that would be felt from that amount of alcohol.

Some of the effects of taking in that much alcohol are shown, including losing caution, impairment and physical control, passing out, going into a coma and finally dying, if the player chooses to drink to that point.



The bottom of the screen displays all the drinks that have been consumed.

The option of seeing things that could happen as a result of drinking too much is presented in several ways. The CD-ROM has interactive videos on overdose, drunk driving and unplanned sex. There is also a reality wall where players can pick a headline and view the corresponding article. One of the articles tells of a father's reaction to his child's death due to alcohol poisoning. Another tells of a student who drove drunk and is now disabled as a result.

It was created by students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the Century Council.

Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Carol Cowles wants students to reflect on their feelings and knowledge of alcohol use.

"What I see Alcohol 101 being able to do, is to give students more information about the impact of alcohol on their physical, psychological and social beings, so that they can make informed and responsible decisions," Cowles said.

She went on to say that we live in

a society that sends mixed messages about drinking.

"I see it as part of what I hope will be evolving into kind of a series of experiences that a student can learn from as they're putting together their own personal position on alcohol," she said.

Cowles thinks students pretend to know more about alcohol than they do because they're not comfortable saying they don't have information.

"I think it will be a real good way to get a lot of information in an entertaining and interactive style," Cowles said.

Millikan Hall Director Amber Monroe is one of the few who had the chance to review the program before it was released to students.

"I think it was pretty cool," Monroe said. "I think they're surprised at their blood alcohol content."

Monroe thinks students will be able to relate to Alcohol 101, because it is student made and it deals with student issues.

"It's a non-threatening way to learn about use of alcohol without experiencing consequences," Monroe said.

Food service majors are gaining experience providing high quality cuisine at the Friday Night Cafe. The menu combines American food with delicacies from other countries around the world.

Mike Ransdell/
Chief Photographer



In Memory of Dave Hancock
From his brothers of
Alpha Kappa Lambda



Group devotes extra time to helping prisoners out

We Are
Northwest

by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

The purpose of one Northwest organization is to help free people who have been detained by their government for choosing to speak out about their nation's policies.

Amnesty International is a human rights group on campus.

The group has three goals for the school year awareness, recruiting and fund raising.

They want to make more students aware of the wrongful convictions happening around the world.

Group's
agenda to
free people
bound by
government
censorship

"I think Amnesty is a good organization because it is one of the few groups whose primary purpose is helping others and as well as creating awareness of human rights abuses around the world," treasurer Kelly Grebe said.

The organization acts on wrongdoings in different countries by responding to Urgent Action requests. Urgent Actions inform Amnesty chapters at colleges and high schools across the country about prisoners who have been denied their freedom of speech and other human rights. After the group receives the information from Amnesty headquarters, the students write a letter to the country's government official.

The students find out if their work is making a difference through a newsletter posting the releases of prisoners. Occasionally, the government official supplies a written response.

There are 19 members of Northwest's chapter and they are recruiting more people to help their actions become more powerful.

"People should join Amnesty because it makes them more aware about Third World countries," President Dovelle Kriegel said. "It also allows people to get knowledge outside of common sources such as media."

Raising money is also important to Amnesty. The money they raise will enable members to participate in activities that will teach them more about human rights.

Northwest's Amnesty chapter began in the 1980s.

Organizational
concert to raise
money for trip

by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

One of Amnesty International's main goals for the school year is to raise money.

Amnesty International will have a benefit concert from 6 to 11 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, in the Conference Center.

The concert will feature local bands from Maryville and Kansas City. Tickets will be available a week before the concert during lunch in the Student Union for \$4 and at the door for \$5.

Proceeds will fund Amnesty's trip to a human rights convention in Chicago and guest speakers the group brings to Northwest.

"The purpose of the concert is not only can we raise awareness to a more general student body than to just the people that come to Amnesty, but also to have a fun event that is outside of the normal activities for a college student at Maryville," President Dovelle Kriegel said.

Busing concerns discussed

■ New school location inconvenience to walkers

by Kimberly Mason
Missourian Reporter

In a regular session Wednesday, the Maryville Board of Education discussed possible transportation options for students attending the new middle school next year.

Washington Middle School Principal Keith Nowland said because of the building's location, it may not be safe for students to walk or ride a bike to school.

The board discussed the possibility of students having to ride the bus or being brought to school.

Nowland said the middle school staff is assessing the percentage of students who would use the bus service next year.

Factors, such as start times of school and drop off points, will be taken into consideration before decisions are made.

Nowland also gave an update on the middle school's progress in preparing to move to the new building.

Old textbooks and materials are being discarded and Nowland hopes to move in late July.

Later in the meeting, food service director Jane McGary presented nutrition service information.

She said the food service department is trying to introduce new items into the elementary and middle school lunches by offering an "exploratory day" twice a month.

McGary said these days give the students "a broader spectrum of what's out there to eat."

This month brussels sprouts and figs will be available for students to try on exploratory days.

Last month students could sample prunes and honey dew melon.

In November students will have a chance to try raw turnips and apple butter.

"We feel these items are not the normal things on students' plates," McGary said. "So we're giving them an opportunity to expand."

Prevention, awareness addressed

YWCA Northwest Missouri Outreach has been observing the "Week Without Violence" throughout the week.

A proclamation was signed Tuesday to recognize the week.

Following is a schedule of events intended to increase the public's awareness of the widespread influence of violence in our society and share prevention tools.

Throughout the week: A Clothesline Project displayed at the Northwest Technical School and on campus. Purple and green ribbons will be handed out at area churches and businesses.

Poster display artwork, by local elementary school children and their parents, will be posted around town and on campus. Sidewalk chalkings will be displayed throughout campus.

A Clothesline Project Booth will be set up from noon to 2 p.m. on campus. Victims can design a T-shirt to be added to the project.

Today: A candlelight vigil and bell tolling. Individuals will gather to honor victims of violence from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

The vigil will be at the First United Methodist Church. The bell tolling will be at the church and at the Bell Tower. The bell tolling will also honor Matthew Shepard, a victim of a Wyoming hate crime that occurred two weeks ago.

Friday: A day of silence: Maryville churches and Northwest will not toll their bells in honor of the victims.

Saturday: A Family Safety Fair will be hosted by Chemical Abuse Resources and Rape Is Going to Have To Stop from 8 a.m. to noon at Lamkin Activities Center.

A balloon launch will follow the Safety Fair. One balloon for each victim from Northwest Missouri who has called the YWCA Outreach crisis phone line in the past year will be released near Golden Pond.

For more information call 562-7939.

Cafe offers unique dining

by Angela Patton
Missourian Reporter

The Friday Night Cafe offers its customers a home-cooked, full-course ethnic treat and those who prepare it a lesson in restaurant management.

The project is a result of Assistant Professor Jenell Ciak's quantity food class in the Human Environmental Sciences Department.

The students are responsible for planning, preparing and serving a different ethnic meal each week with a menu consisting of two entrees, fresh rolls, salads and several desserts.

"The Cafe gives us experience in food service that not everybody will have a chance to get," dietetics major Sara Kendrick said.

The dinners are served on the third floor of the Administration Building. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children and may be purchased at the Student Services Center.

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Announcements

Public Safety

Saturday, Oct. 10

■ An officer in the 400 block of North Main Street observed two male subjects arguing. Contact was made, and after talking with them, it was discovered one of the subjects, Daniel T. Thatcher, 24, Creston, Iowa, had harassed a female subject. Thatcher was arrested for disorderly conduct and released after posting bond.

when Shelly A. Jackson, Maryville, turned west onto West First Street and struck Henderson's door. Jackson was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Kenneth I. Barcus, Hopkins, who was westbound on Cooper Street, looked away from the road and did not see a stop sign. He struck Angela N. Money, Clearmont, who had turned onto Cooper Street too soon. Citations were issued to Barcus and Money for careless and imprudent driving.

Friday, Oct. 16

■ After receiving complaints of a weed violation in the 100 block of East Fourth Street, a summons was issued to Karen A. McMahon, 58, Jefferson City, for a weed and grass violation.

■ An officer on patrol in the 200 block West Fourth Street observed a group of people, of which a male was smoking and appeared to be underage. She made contact with the male, and it was determined he was 14 years old and from Maryville. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer, that as he was sitting in his house, he noticed a red dot on himself and believed it was either from a laser aim point from a weapon or a laser pointer used for lectures. He then observed a vehicle driving down the street with its lights off. A description of the vehicle and license number was given to officers, and the officer later made contact with the vehicle, which contained five Maryville male juveniles. It was determined they had a laser pointer and were driving around pointing it at houses and people in houses. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

■ Richard R. Henderson, Des Moines, Iowa, was parked and had his door open on West First Street

Tuesday, Oct. 13

■ A 1984 Mercury was towed from the 300 block of East Third Street where it was illegally parked.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

■ Lisa L. Powell-Wells, King City; Catherine Figueras, St. Joseph; and Tony F. Hastings, Maryville, were all southbound on Main Street. Hastings and Figueras were stopped in traffic when Powell-Wells struck Figueras from behind, causing her to strike Hastings from behind. A citation was issued to Powell-Wells for careless and imprudent driving.

Thursday, Oct. 15

■ Richard R. Henderson, Des Moines, Iowa, was parked and had his door open on West First Street

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Saturday, Oct. 17

■ An officer was in the 300 block of North Market Street when he observed a vehicle back from a parking stall and strike the vehicle parked next to it. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was identified as Gregory A. Wilkinson, 33, Corning, Iowa. While talking with him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving. Contact was made with the owner of the parked vehicle, and there was no damage sustained.

■ An officer responded to the 200 block of North Buchanan Street on a complaint of loud music. Contact was made with the occupant, Keven B. Sontheimer, 20, and he was advised to shut the party down. He was issued a summons for peace disturbance.

■ Officers responded to the 400 block of South Dewey Street on a domestic disturbance complaint. Upon arrival, officers arrested Jerry D. Smith, 46, Maryville, for domestic violence. He was released after posting bond.

■ An officer took a report from a Hopkins male who said while his vehicle was in the 900 block of South Main Street, it had been damaged. The passenger's side door was damaged on the top portion. It was dented and some paint was removed.

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer that his vehicle had been damaged, he was unsure of the location.

■ An officer took a report from a

Maryville female who said she noticed her shed had been damaged.

■ Michelle L. Quimby, Maryville, was westbound on Grant Street and failed to stop for a stop sign. She struck Gentry P. Martin, Maryville, who was northbound on Walnut Street. Quimby was issued a citation for failure to yield.

■ Colby N. Mathews, Maryville, was traveling south on Main Street. He slowed down to make a turn when his vehicle was hit by another vehicle that then left the scene.

Obituaries

Paul Curram

Paul Wellesley Curram, 91, Maryville, died Oct. 14 at the Fairfax Community Hospital in Fairfax.

He was born Jan. 2, 1907, to Thomas and Mary Curram in Maryville.

Survivors include one son, James.

Services were Friday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

Halbert Catterson

Halbert G. Catterson, 89, Maryville, died Oct. 15 at Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born May 20, 1909, to Hal and Laura Catterson in Maryville.

Survivors include one daughter, Ellen F. France; one son, Lewis; one brother; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Monday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville. Burial was at Miriam Cemetery in Maryville.

Verlyn Conrad

Verlyn Carol Conrad, 82, Maryville, died Oct. 16 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 20, 1916, to Noah and Celeste Conrad in Parnell.

Survivors include his wife, Polly; one sister; and several nieces and

nephews.

Services were Tuesday at the First Christian Church in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

Hildred Conway

Hildred D. Conway, 90, Barnard, died Oct. 16 at Saxton Care Center in St. Joseph.

She was born July 30, 1908, to George and Maude Sell in Barnard.

Survivors include two daughters, Dolores Potelli and Sharre Buskirk; one sister; and four grandchildren.

Services were Wednesday at the Church of Christ in Barnard. Burial was at Barnard Masonic Cemetery in Barnard.

Billie Powers

Billie Rex Powers, 67, Maryville, died Oct. 18 at Maryville Heath Care Center in Maryville.

He was born Dec. 8, 1929, to Curtis and Estella Powers in Gentry.

Survivors include one daughter, Vicki Lynn Williams; one son, Bill Jr.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services are at 2 p.m. today at Oak Hill Cemetery.

CARNAHAN

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the public schools in this area, to pull up the learning of the students."

Brown and Wheeler were with Carnahan when he visited Horace Mann.

When they walked through a make-shift classroom in the main hallway, the students told the group they were learning about history.

"That's good," Brown said. "We hope to make it."

Carnahan said if elected, the two Democrats will positively affect the Maryville community, especially regarding education.

"It will be great to have a supporter of the University and public education," Carnahan said. "The incumbent senator and representative are lukewarm supporters or not supporters at all. So when it comes down to the issues, they won't stand

New Arrivals

Victoria Rose Titus

Johnny and Karree Titus, Pickering, are the parents of Victoria Rose, born Oct. 8 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed seven pounds, six ounces and joins one sister, Cassie; and one brother, JT.

Her grandparents are Tom and Sandra Espy, Maryville; and John and Helen Titus, Hopkins. Her great-grandparents are Charles Titus and Doris Hoy, both of Hopkins; and Leola Espy, Maryville.

Jayden Douglas Ebrecht

Sharee Volner, Pickering, and Jeremy Ebrecht, Maryville, are the parents of Jayden Douglas, born Oct. 8 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed eight pounds, six ounces.

Grandparents are Sherri and Kevin Volner, Pickering; and Dana and Fred Ebrecht, Grant City. Great-grandparents are Don and Dolores Volner, Pickering; and Nellis and Jay Sticken, Graham.

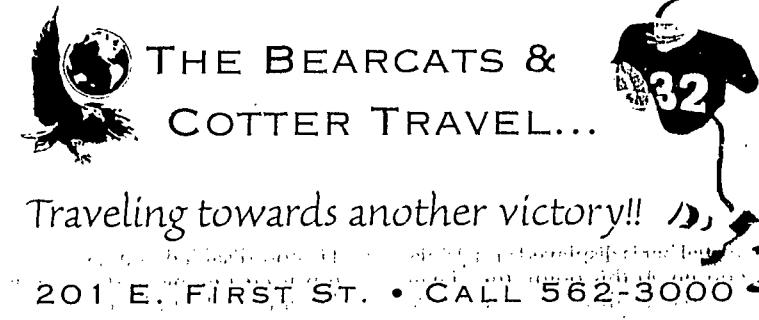
up for better quality education. That is a long run. If that idea got to be in a majority, it would be very harmful to children in the state."

Carnahan said people in the region need legislators who are tuned into the community to receive adequate state representation.

"North Missouri must have strong, capable representation in Jefferson City in order to assure this region receives its fair share from state government," Carnahan said. "The combination of Bridget and Beth will provide for such representation."

Carnahan said he was proud of the two candidates for this area and hopes they are elected.

"We're in the closing days and weeks of the campaign," Carnahan said. "It's a very hopeful time because it's the time that people get to express themselves and choose the direction they're going to go in the future."

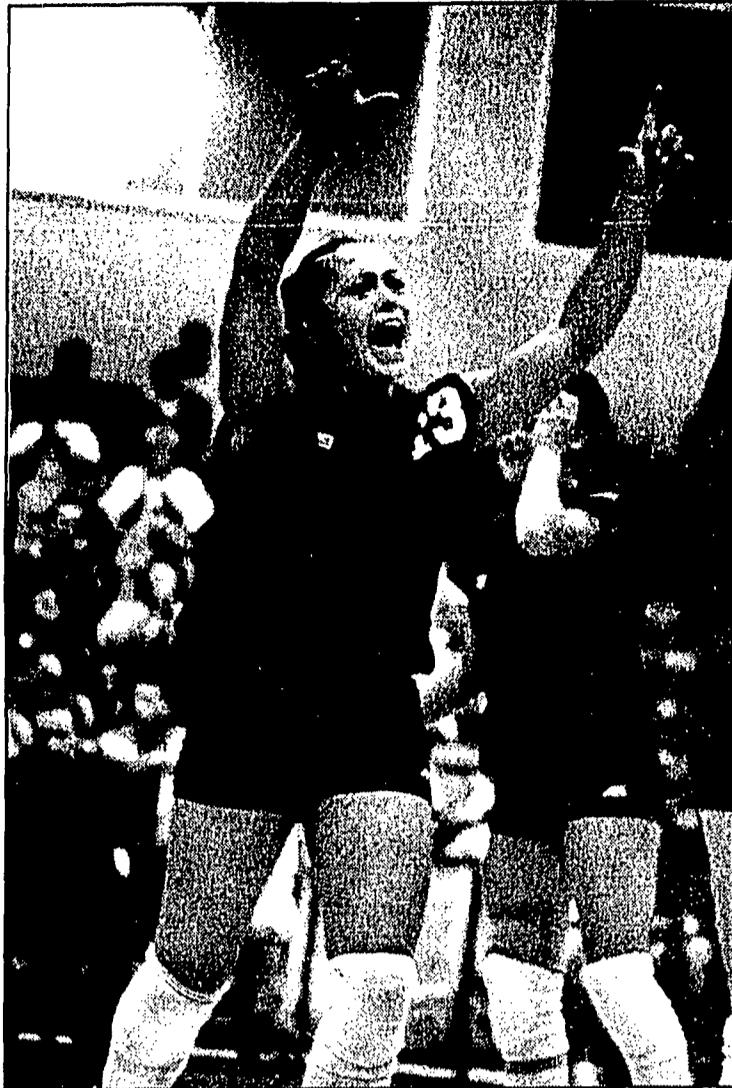


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Killer Instinct



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Bearcat middle hitter Jill Quast points her fingers to the sky in celebration after one of her 14 kills Friday night. Quast led the Bearcats in kills, blocks and to their 13th win of the season.

Volleyball loses, defends tourney

by Barry Platt

Missourian Reporter

The Northwest volleyball team traveled to Topeka, Kan., Wednesday night, to try to gain revenge on the Washburn Lady Blues, who handed the 'Cats their first conference loss Sept. 16 in Bearcat Arena.

The Bearcat spikers were unsuccessful in their attempt, losing to Washburn in three straight games, 13-15, 15-17 and 10-15.

Northwest falls to 13-7 overall and 5-6 in the MIAA. The 'Cats were led by sophomore Shellie Suda, who had 17 digs and two blocks. Sophomore Abby Sunderman contributed 12 kills for Northwest, while sophomore Abby Williams collected 41 assists.

For Washburn, who moves to 12-14 overall and 5-7 in the conference, freshman Jill Gassen collected 14 kills, while freshman Becci Havlicek had seven blocks. Junior Amanda Dunbar led the Blues with 36 assists, and junior Amanda Purdon contributed 19 digs.

Earlier in the week, the Bearcats split with Southwest Baptist and Central Missouri State, in matches played in Bearcat Arena. The 'Cats completed a

regular season sweep of Southwest Baptist, winning three games to one Friday night, while being swept in the season series by Central, losing 3-1, Saturday afternoon.

Northwest is preparing for the Simpson College Iowa Tournament, to be held this weekend in Indianola, Iowa. The 'Cats will take on Simpson, McAllister, Cornell and St. Thomas colleges in the two-day tournament.

"They are all good teams," she said. "The majority of the teams in the tournament are Division III schools, but most of them are regionally and nationally ranked in Division III, so the competition will be tough."

Northwest is the defending champion in the tournament, having won the tourney the past two years.

After that tournament, the team will travel to Emporia, Kan., for a conference matchup with Emporia State Wednesday night. They will stay on the road next weekend, playing in the Drury College Tournament in Springfield.

Head coach Greg Roper said

Drake cannot be taken lightly.

"I'm worried that we, as a team, could go into the match over confident and end up losing," Roper said.

"Never take a team for granted."

However, the players understand the importance of the game, senior goalie Danielle Saunders said.

"We're not going to underestimate

No. 7 and 8 runners will be important to knock people off. It will take a total team effort to win our fourth title, but we are ready to take it all. We know it will be hard, but as long as we can stay together we will be all right."

Competition from Missouri Southern, Pittsburg State and Truman State will be tough and the team will mentally prepare for them, head coach Vicki Wooton said.

"The course is relatively fast and flat at Pittsburg State, and we need to know that each person we pass could be the difference between winning and being in the top four,"

Wooton said. "It will come down to which new athletes can step up and meet the challenge with the pressure of conference. We have the most to lose — everyone's out to get us, but we're not ready to step down. We've put in the time and we're ready."

The women go into the meet following a tough race at the Iowa State Memorial Classic where they placed second in the non-Division I group.

Senior Lindsey Borgstadt led the team, placing first in their division, followed by sophomore Megan Borgstadt in second. Sophomore Sarah Handrup and Glassel placed ninth and 10th, respectively. Senior

date Chris Greisen did not have a good performance. Greisen passed for 181 yards and one touchdown while throwing three interceptions, all deep in SBU territory.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said Greisen did not play his best in the first quarter.

"He threw three interceptions in the first quarter and hopefully we got those out of our system," Tjeerdsma said.

Freshman running back Tommy Myers led the Bearcat's ground game with 86 yards and two touchdowns on 11 carries in the fourth quarter.

Senior running back Derek Lane scored a touchdown and rushed for 43 yards while sophomore running back David Jansen rushed for 42 yards in the ballgame.

Junior kicker David Purnell added a pair of field goals to the Northwest total. His kicks traveled 44 and 33 yards.

Tjeerdsma said the 'Cats won the game for many reasons but one stood out.

"The key was the way we played defensively," Tjeerdsma said. "With

the exception of one or two times, we started every offensive drive inside the 50-yard line. Southwest Baptist completed a couple passes right before the half, otherwise they would have had nothing in the first half."

Northwest led early on in the fourth quarter 50-0 before SBU cracked the scoreboard. The purple 'Cats added another late touchdown to sour Northwest's hopes of a shutout.

"You've got to give them credit because they battled the whole ballgame," Tjeerdsma said.

While the defense was able to hold on in the fourth quarter with reserves in the game, that did not mean the defense did not do its job well.

In the second game of the 1984 season, Northwest shut out Grand Valley State in Michigan, 26-0.

Since that game, Northwest has not been able to keep its opponents from cracking the scoreboard.

But since that defensive goose egg, the Bearcats have been shutout offensively seven times. The last time against Pittsburg State, 40-0.

the Stat sheet

NCAA Div. II Football Poll

1. Northern Colorado (7-0)
2. Central Oklahoma (7-0)
3. Tie - Northwest Missouri (7-0)
4. Grand Valley State (Mich.) (7-0)
5. Tie - Carson-Newman (Tenn.) (6-1)
6. Slippery Rock (Pa.) (6-1)
7. Tie - Fort Valley State (Ga.) (7-0)
8. West Texas A & M (6-1)
9. West Georgia (7-0)
10. North Dakota (5-1)
11. East New Mexico (6-0)
12. Indiana (Pa.) (6-0)
13. Southern Arkansas (5-1)
14. Emporia State (6-1)
15. Saginaw Valley (Mich.) St. (6-1)
16. Albany State (Ga.) (6-1)
17. Pittsburg State (5-1)
18. Texas A & M — Kingsville (5-2)
19. Central Missouri State (6-1)

Football standings

	MIAA	Overall		
	W	L	W	L
NWMSU	5	0	7	0
CMSU	4	1	6	1
ESU	4	1	6	1
PSU	4	1	5	1
TSU	4	1	4	3
WU	2	3	3	4
SBU	1	4	2	5
MSSC	1	4	1	5
MWSC	0	5	0	7
UMR	0	5	0	7

Team statistics

Total offense yards per game

1. Emporia State, 492.1

2. Northwest, 491.1

Rushing offense yards per game

1. Emporia State, 267

4. Northwest, 205

Passing offense yards per game

1. Northwest, 286.1

Total defense yards per game

1. Central Missouri State, 231

3. Northwest, 301.6

Rushing defense yards per game

1. Northwest, 120.9

Passing defense

1. Central Missouri State, 109.6

8. Northwest, 180.7

Individual statistics

Rushing yards per game

1. Brian Shay, ESU, 217.4

2. Derek Lane, NW, 76.0

8. David Jansen, NW, 54.7

Passing efficiency

1. Chris Greisen, NW, 169.5

Total offense yards per game

1. Chris Greisen, NW, 261.4

Receiving yards per game

1. Marc Nardella, WU, 101.3

3. Tony Miles, NW, 77.1

8. J.R. Hill, NW, 43.1

All-purpose yards per game

1. Brian Shay, ESU, 270.9

2. Tony Miles, NW, 164.7

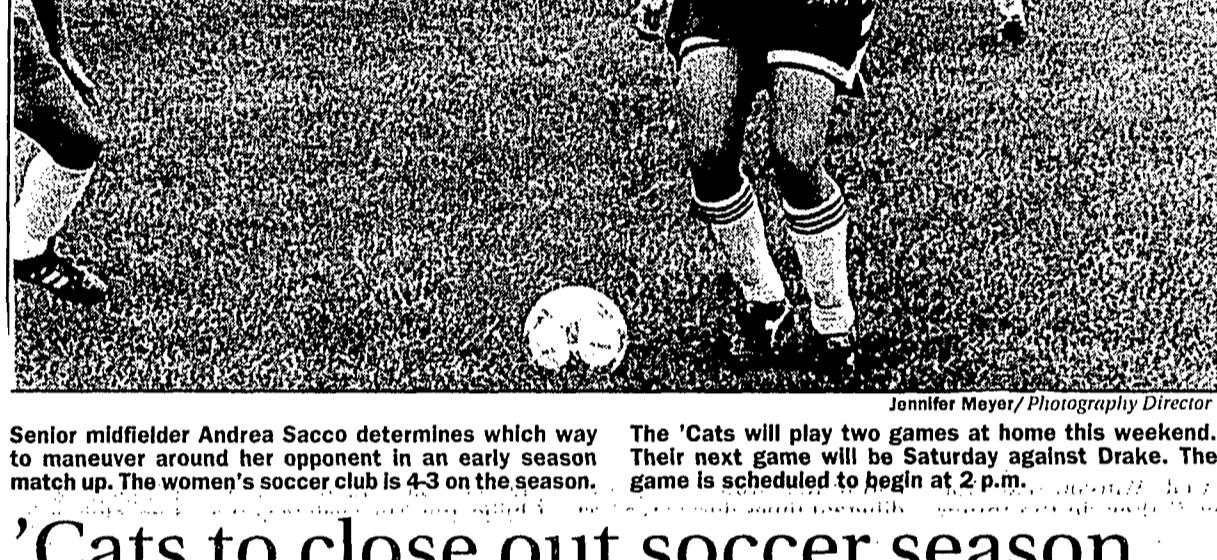
Scoring points per game

1. Brian Shay, ESU, 14.9

3. David Purnell, NW, 8.4

4. Tie-Tony Miles, NW, 7.7

Derek Lane, NW, 7.7



Senior midfielder Andrea Sacco determines which way to maneuver around her opponent in an early season match up. The women's soccer club is 4-3 on the season.

The 'Cats will play two games at home this weekend. Their next game will be Saturday against Drake. The game is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

'Cats to close out soccer season

by Matt Gorgen

Contributing Reporter

mate either team," Saunders said. "We're going to play one game at a time."

The 'Cats will also play host to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at 2 p.m. Sunday to close out the season.

Saunders said each team has improved and the game will be hard-fought.

"It will be a pretty tight match and a well matched game," Saunders said. "We've progressed to another level since last September and I know they have progressed to another level also. It will be one great game to end the season on."

The 'Cats defeated Drake 10-2 in September and fought a tough battle

last year with UNL before beating them 4-3.

The 'Cats are now 4-2 on the year and hope to end the season with a strong finish.

The club traveled to Lawrence, Kan., to play the University of Kansas Saturday, but the match was rained out two minutes prior to game time because of the torrential downpours that visited the Midwest.

Roper and the players were disappointed with the cancellation.

"It's disappointing and frustrating because we wanted to not only prove to ourselves, but to the people at the game, that we could beat them," junior midfielder Melissa Cole said.

Cross country teams enter conference championships hoping for total team effort

by Wendy Broker

Contributing Reporter

The Northwest cross country teams are falling into stride as they take the first big steps toward achieving their season goals at the MIAA conference championships Saturday.

The women's team is looking to repeat as MIAA champions for the fourth straight year.

Depth will be key if the team is to win, junior Becca Glassel said.

"The closer we stay together at conference, the better chance we have of winning," Glassel said. "Our

Amber Martin rounded out the 'Cats' top five at 13th.

"Considering the hard week in practice we had, I was extremely pleased with our performance in the weather conditions that prevailed," Wooten said. "We were hoping to achieve another hard workout, run against tough competition, be competitive and get ready for conference, and we did."

Men prepare to conquer MIAA

The men's cross country team is looking to the MIAA conference meet in Pittsburg, Kan., as a place to show off its best and better last year's second place finish.

Head coach Rich Alsup said the team did not add much to its workouts in preparation for the meet.

"Our goal from practice is to train, not compete, for positions," Alsup said. "Practice will be quality, without being extreme in any direction. There's no need to taper too much because we are running well without it. We want to hold off tapering as long as possible."

The team's goal for conference

has been unwavering all season: to knock off perennial power Central Missouri State.

"As for the conference meet, we look to go out with Central and try to

beat them," Alsup said. "We are not resigned to the fact that they are ranked above us and we will finish second. If we run our best and finish second, that will be fine, because that will mean that's all the better we are, but that's not what we are going for."

Beating Central will not be easy for the team, but the men know what it will take.

"We must run our best to win," Alsup said. "As well as we have run, our guys are better than that. We need to pack up more. We are not shoe-ins for second place. Anyone can run well and get it."

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'Hounds face first true test

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

The Maryville football team will get its first real test Friday when they begin district play in Savannah.

The 'Hounds are going into the game with a perfect 6-0 record and ranked No. 3 in the state. Savannah is 6-1 coming off a 62-0 crushing of Lafayette last Friday, ranking them No. 5 in the state.

The 'Hounds were idle last week, which allowed the team to work on fundamentals and get an early start on its game plan, head coach Chuck Litteras said.

"We had a good week of practice last week," Litteras said. "I felt very confident about the way they executed in practice. We got about 85 to 90 percent of our game plan in last week. This week, practices are going to be short, crisp and to the point — execute the game plan and be done with it."

The players agree Savannah may be the toughest team they will face this season. Both teams are among the top in total defense and offense.

"This is going to be biggest game of the season," senior lineman Russ Wiederholt said. "We look at Chillicothe; we can beat them. We look at Tarkio; we can beat them. So we should be able to win this game and wrap up the district title."

The Savages run a version of the wing-T offense and have a strong backfield that includes senior fullback John Snipes and senior half-

back Mark Bolger.

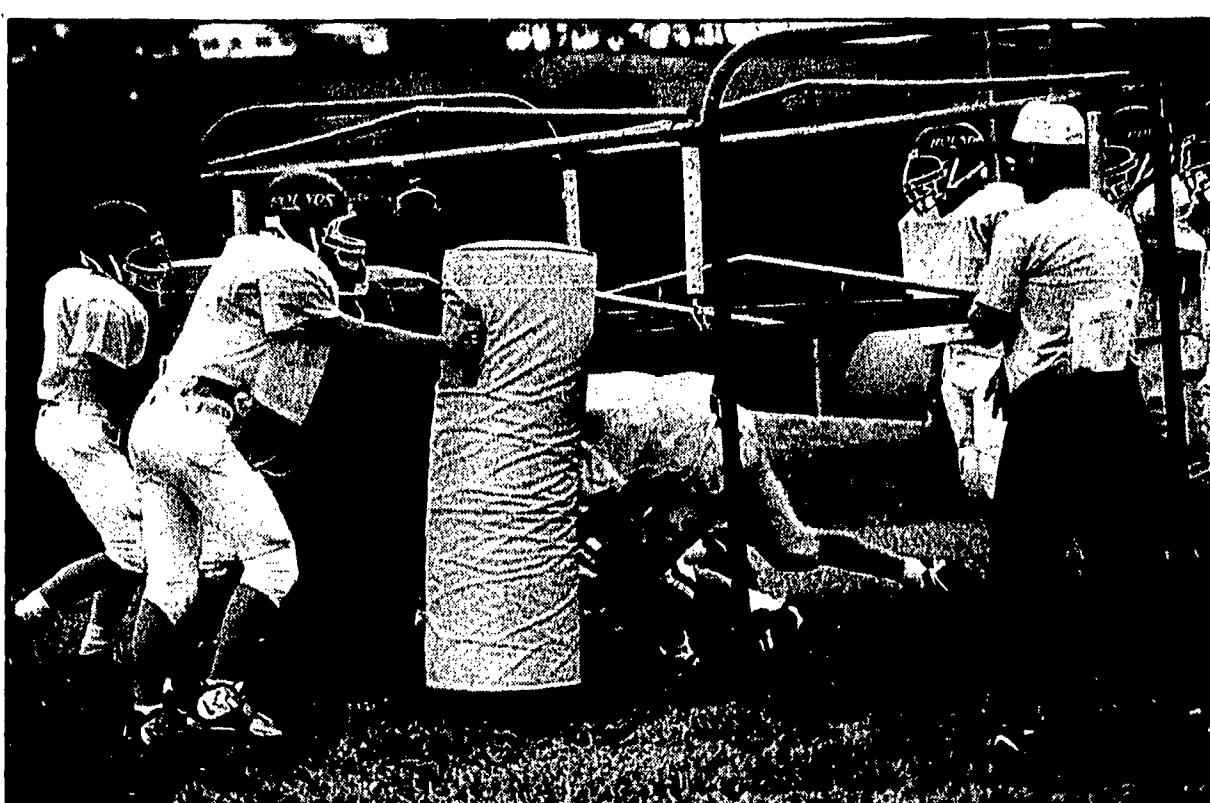
Both players have the ability to hurt the 'Hounds, he said.

"Bolger does a very nice job on the misdirection plays and on the running sweep," Litteras said. "Sipes — they're pitching him the ball on the double-option and he's running the inside track. They run him off-tackle. He's a big, strong, powerful running back."

In addition to strong running backs, Litteras said the Savages also have a talented quarterback in senior Eric Miller. He is able to choose from a wide range of receivers, including Sipes and Bolger.

"They throw the ball to Sipes in the flats," Litteras said. "They try and get Bolger isolated on a flat scheme. He's got real good quicks and catches the ball real well. So they've got some good weapons in those kids. They're a little bit more diversified than they were last year, which presents an interesting problem because you gotta make sure you cover all the bases, and the biggest thing is we've got to make sure we shut Sipes down. At least control him and force them to use other parts of their ball game. We feel that we can control that situation."

When the 'Hounds' offense goes up against Savannah's defense, the 'Hounds are a bit more comfortable. "We don't feel they're as strong on the edge as they were last year," Litteras said. "Their outside linebacker really gets to the ball well, but we feel that the outside linebacker



The No. 3 state-ranked Maryville Spoofhounds are taking advantage of their off week by doing some hitting drills during practice Monday. They are preparing for the Friday night game in Savannah starting at 7:30 p.m. Savannah

was stronger last year than the young man is this year."

Sipes and Bolger are edges and Savannah features an aggressive secondary as well, Litteras said.

"Both of their safeties are back and they run really well and cover the run very aggressively," Litteras said. "They play pretty good pass coverage."

However, Savannah cornerback Andy Barnes is questionable for the game. He is recovering from a

chipped bone and ligament strains in his ankle.

"If he plays, he's going to be very tentative so that's an aspect of the game that we're going to try and capitalize on," Litteras said.

On special teams, Sipes punts for the Savages. Savannah also features a talented kicker, Litteras said.

"On kickoffs, he usually kicks it into the end zone or very close to the goal line," Litteras said.

Despite playing in Savannah, the

looks to be the 'Hounds toughest opponent, with a 6-1 record. Last season the 'Hounds defeated the Savages 26-6. Head coach Chuck Litteras and the 'Hounds hope to go 7-0 after Friday night.

'Hounds don't think it will be an advantage for either team.

"We'd rather play here, of course, but we've had good success down there too," Litteras said. "I imagine there will be quite a crowd down there and I don't really know that there will be any home-field advantage or not. It will be a really good ball game."

No matter the circumstances or the records, the players know it's a whole new season.



■ Scott Summers

In the middle of one of those long high school lectures, I once asked my history teacher why we needed to know all that stuff when it happened so long ago.

Obviously, less than pleased with

my question, she replied, "Those who don't remember the past are doomed to repeat it."

Not surprisingly, that's all I remember about her class.

Maybe today's NBA stars should sit through one of Mrs. Nitscke's classes.

Baseball fans are only now returning to the country's national pastime after a players' strike cancelled the 1994 World Series.

It will be a long time before baseball fans forget the strike. Ticket sales were lower this season in many cities than they had been before the strike.

Before the strike, baseball players said they were being cheated out of earning the money they deserved. Many of them still believe the owners are cheating them.

In 1998, history is repeating itself. It has become apparent that NBA players didn't learn from their batting colleagues.

Then, how can we blame them? Half of them should still be in high school anyway.

Some NBA superstars want the public to believe they have been denied a chance to make a fair living.

A fair living?

I'd like to watch them explain that to the millions of people working two or even three jobs just to scrape together a decent living.

Basketball players don't know how lucky they are.

No reports.

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Money — no problem.

Maybe NBA players just need a little reminder: There's a funny thing about being a professional athlete — there are always millions of people willing to take your place.

As for Mrs. Nitscke's class, maybe she really was onto something.

Scott Summers is a Missourian Online columnist.

Spikers victorious in pair of local matches

by Travis Dimmitt
Missourian Reporter

The Spoofhound volleyball team defeated two of its geographic rivals in back-to-back matches earlier this week.

The 'Hounds traveled to Tarkio, where they swept the Indians 15-12 and 15-6 Tuesday.

The Spoofhounds humbled Fairfax in straight games, 15-8 and 15-3, Monday in Maryville.

Maryville head coach Gregg Winslow said the victory over Fairfax was one of the Spoofhounds' better performances this season.

"That may be the best game we played this year," Winslow said. "They are a very good

team."

There was added emphasis on the win because of the traditional rivalry between Fairfax and Maryville, Winslow said.

"The girls played over there in a volleyball league this summer," he said. "So they got to know a lot of the girls. And, there's been a little bit of a rivalry, too. That helps things."

Winslow recognized the intensity of the match as well. Although not usually demonstrative, the coach rose from the bench several times during key plays in the match.

"I get into it when the girls play well," Winslow said. "You know, if they do the things they're supposed to do I try and tell them they do a good job.

When we are scrappy all over the floor, pick up balls that almost hit the floor, you've got to applaud their effort for that. This may be the scrappiest game we've played all year."

Winslow was impressed with his squad's all-around performance against the Bulldogs. However, he was less than enthusiastic about Maryville's follow-up victory over Tarkio.

We did not look like the same team, that's for sure," Winslow said. "I don't think we were mentally as ready to play."

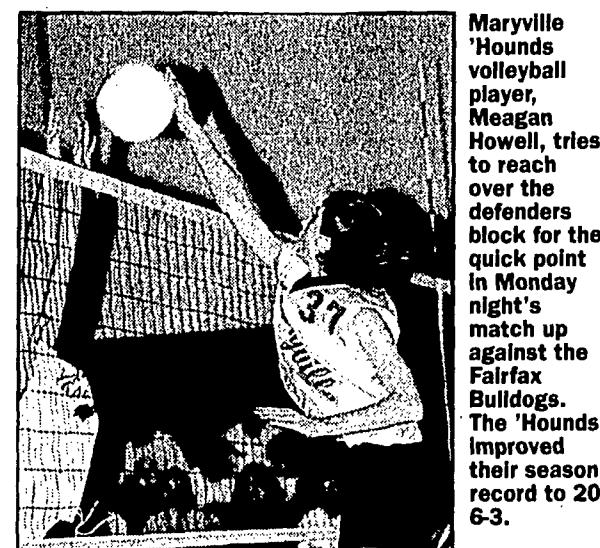
The Spoofhounds made passing and service errors and had to rally from deficits five different times during the first game against the Indians.

Maryville, which moved to

21-6-3 overall with the victories, will end its regular season against Platte County in action tonight. Though the Spoofhounds have not faced the Pirates this season, Howell is confident Maryville can end its season with a win.

"Cameron beat them earlier and we beat Cameron," Howell said. "But I think we're going to have to work hard. They aren't going to lay down."

The Spoofhounds have already secured the No. 1 seed in their district as postseason play begins. After a first-round bye, the 'Hounds will open district play at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Chillicothe. They will face the winner of an earlier match between Chillicothe and Lafayette.



Maryville 'Hounds volleyball player, Meagan Howell, tries to reach over the defenders block for the quick point in Monday night's match up against the Fairfax Bulldogs. The 'Hounds improved their season record to 20-6-3.

Greg Hetrick/Chief Photographer

men this year were Erin McLaughlin and Natalie Billings.

"The two freshmen on this team really played well," head coach Pat Turner said. "I am very proud of the way they played. I am already looking forward to watching their progress."

The team will return five of its six golfers next year. They will lose only Megan McLaughlin, who finished her high school career with a trip to state competition.

"Megan doing it her senior year is fantastic," Turner said. "That is great for her, and great for the team as well. She is a great player."

Megan was almost accompanied to state by the team, which fell 14 strokes short of making the tournament.

Home teams

Cross Country

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Varsity girls

*Jennifer Heller 7 22:03
Melissa Myers 21 23:41
Malorie Jones 29 24:34
Kristine Swinford 42 26:11
Natalie Harris 43 26:12
Laura Loch 52 33:13
Amy Eckerson 53 33:14
Team 6th place 142 points

Junior varsity boys

Adam Messner 17 21:12
Spencer Martin 26 22:30
Travis Turner 31 23:41
Kelly Stiens 34 26:12
Dusty Winslow 35 26:12
Team 5th place 143 pts

Varsity boys

Justin Nickerson 24 19:24
Ryan Douglas 36 20:45
Dustin Coulter 37 20:50
Tim Welch 38 20:50
Nate Harris 40 23:08
Robert Long 41 23:08
Team 6th place 175 pts

Golfer goes to state

With the turning leaves the only thing hitting the fairways at Mozingo, the 'Hounds golf team wrapped up a successful season. Stepping onto the scene as fresh-



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Team	QTR	Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yards	TOP	NWMSU-SBU
NWMSU	1st	12:39	Marc Mau 18 yd pass from Grelsen	David Purnell Kick	2-39	0:27	7-0
NWMSU	1st	10:10	team safety				9-0
NWMSU	2nd	12:32	Chris Grelsen 1yd run	David Purnell Kick	3-7	1:08*	16-0
NWMSU	2nd	7:21	Derek Lane 12 yd run	David Purnell Kick	7-59	2:51	23-0
NWMSU	3rd	10:20	Tucker Woolsey 1 yd run	David Purnell Kick	6-28	3:35	30-0
NWMSU	3rd	5:05	David Purnell 44 yd field goal		7-19	3:35	33-0
NWMSU	3rd	4:01	David Purnell 33 yd field goal		4-5	0:52	36-0
NWMSU	3rd	1:44	Twan Young 29 yd fumble recovery	David Purnell kick			43-0
NWMSU	4th	7:54	Tommy Meyers 10 yd run	David Purnell kick	9-46	4:47	50-0
SBU	4th	5:54	William Wheeler fumble recovery	Karson Turner pass failed	7-72	2:00	50-6
NWMSU	4th	5:41	Tommy Meyers 28 yd run	David Purnell kick	1-28	0:13	57-6
SBU	4th	4:20	Karson Turner 1 yd run	J.T. Wall rush failed	5-79	1:21	57-12

NWMSU SBU

'Cat tracks

■ Streaking Bearcats

Northwest has won 18 straight regular season games, dating back to the last time the Gorillas invaded Maryville. Pittsburg State won that ballgame, 40-0. The school record for consecutive regular season wins is 21, set from 1938-40. The MIAA record for consecutive victories is 27, set by Truman State from 1931-35.

■ Statistically speaking

Northwest is alone atop the MIAA standings. Statistically, the Bearcats are on top also. Northwest ranks in the top half of the conference stats in all but three of the team statistical categories. The Bearcats also lead eight of those 20 statistical categories.

■ Scoring explosion

The Bearcats have only been held under 40 points one time this season. Northwest is averaging 49 points per game, well on pace to break the MIAA record for average scoring in a season, which is 42.3, set by Emporia State last season. With their 57-point effort last week, Northwest put 50 points on the scoreboard for the third time this season.

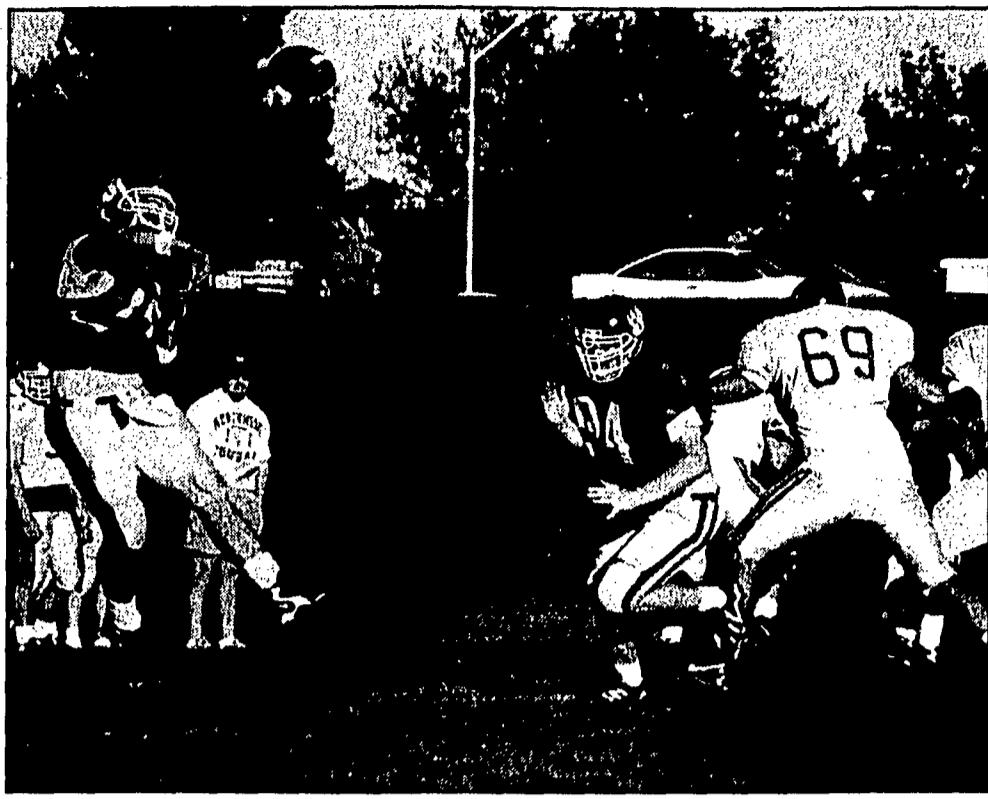
■ Tjeerdsma on this week's game

"This is obviously a big game. Just the fact that Pittsburg State was picked to win the conference in the preseason makes it big. Plus we have been battling them for the last two years for the conference title. We still consider them to be our number one competition. It's a huge game for them because they already have one loss. Two losses would not be a good situation for them. For us, it is important because we are the only undefeated team in the conference and control our own destiny. We'd like to keep it that way."

Injury update

■ Northwest finally got some good news this week from the training room. No Bearcat suffered a serious injury in last week's victory against Southwest Baptist. Also in the the good news department, ... Tjeerdsma said, "Getting a lot of people back this week could be good in a lot of ways. We get our better players back and many of them are leaders as well. That makes everybody a lot more comfortable."

Catch



Quarterback Chris Grelsen tosses a ball downfield during a recent practice. The 'Cats have four games left in the regular season. Following Pitt State this weekend, the team is away Central and Truman State. They will close out the year at home against Emporia State on Nov. 14.

Jennifer Meyer/photography Director

'Hounds football stats

Offensive stats	NET					Maryville total offense	Rush	Pass	Total	Returns	
Rushing	TCB	YDS.	YDS. +YDS.	AVG.	YDS.	TDS.	LG				
Otte, Adam	35	393	23	10.57	370	6	65	181	79	260	45
Nanninga, Mike	53	324	0	6.11	324	4	27	1118	957	2075	566
Glasnapp, Nick	48	297	58	4.98	239	3	37	6.18	12.11	7.98	12.58
Team Total	181	1,228	110	6.18	1,118	15		186.3	159.5	345.8	94.3
Defensive Stats						PASS	TACKLE	TOT			
Tackles	TACKLE	ASST.	BROKEN	FOR LOSS	TACKLES						
Edmonds, J.	46	29	0	2	75						
Pedersen, C.	31	5	0	6	36						
Nanninga, M.	36	9	0	5	45						
Deshon, J.	27	15	0	3	42						
Team Total	253	101	4	29	354						
Sacks	NO.						YDS.				
Cracraft, J.	4						.26				
Nanninga, M.	3.5						.32				
Team Total	13						.91				
Hounds	6 Teams										
First down	62						49				
Passing	25						20				
Rushing	34						24				
3rd-down efficiency	15/43						17/67				
4th-down efficiency	7/13						0/4				
Total net yards	2075						929				
Total plays	280						281				
Average per play	7.98						3.31				
Net yards rushing	1118						484				
Average per rush	6.18						2.41				
Net yards passing	957						445				
Completed-attempted	49/79						30/80				
Yards per attempt	12.11						5.56				

Spikers

MIAA	Overall
W	W
10	0
ESU	2
MWSC	14
NWMSU	13
TSU	10
WU	13
MSSC	16
SBU	12
PSU	11

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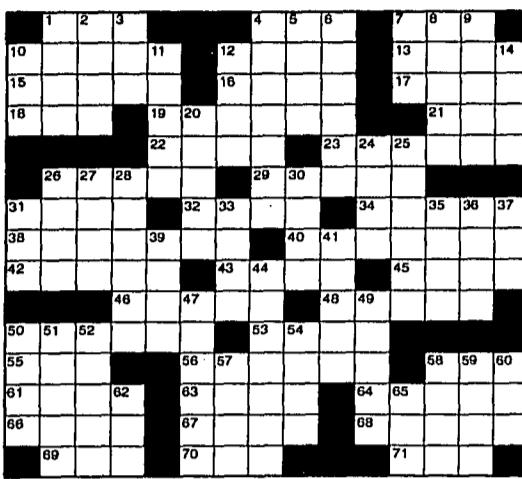
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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS
 1. Before LBJ
 4. Unburden
 7. Give protection to
 10. More pristine
 12. Interdiction
 13. Horn's blast
 15. Instructive
 16. British school
 17. Hudson or De Soto
 18. Lush
 19. Sheen
 21. Squid's tentacle

1. count
 22. Forgotten
 23. Coat collar
 26. Wanton creature
 29. Nixon's running mate
 31. _____
 32. College
 33. Explanations
 34. Crust or cut

38. Breakfast fare
 40. Milliner's creation
 42. Fantasize
 43. Comprehending phrase
 45. _____ Indies
 46. Basis of a tabloid suit
 48. Get hitched
 50. Unattractive
 53. Exclamations
 55. Cry of triumph
 56. Kind of leather
 58. Related



Answers to last issue's puzzle

SPAM	UPSET	DES
PAPA	TEASE	EVIL
ALPS	TOMSEL	LECK
NOR	HENS	HANKS
EMERY	GRAY	
OCCUR	PRUSSIA	
WRITE	FAUNA	MET
HEAT	TALINT	PISA
SET	SAIN	SATON
SEAPORT	CRAPS	
BOS	CHART	
LASSO	CHUM	IAN
ASTONISHES	NOSE	
NEAR	THICK	ANTE
GARB	SACKS	TSAR

DOWN

1. Self-defense method
 2. College, gp.
 3. Cask
 4. Change the caption
 5. "Go tell _____ the Mountain"
 6. Disney duck
 7. _____ loss
 8. Newsboy's assignment
 9. Traveler's home for a night
 10. Fathers, informally
 11. Answer
 12. VFW members
 14. Heaps
 20. Large artery
 24. Water, to

25. Bell or red
 26. Rise rapidly
 27. Johnson of "Laugh-In"
 28. Mexican meal wrapped in corn
 30. _____ in a while
 31. Show weariness
 33. Author Wiesel
 35. Bosc, e.g.
 36. Not challenging
 37. Road groove
 39. Marlene's costar in "The Blue Angel"
 41. Macho guy

44. Having laths
 47. Detour
 49. Fur merchant
 50. Gibson of oysters
 51. Butler's beloved
 52. Theme
 54. Scion
 57. Hammett pooh
 58. Twit in a wire
 59. Currier's partner
 60. _____ York City
 62. Sizzling
 65. Guitar maker Fender

The Stroller

Your Man critiques new Plaza



The Stroller

Weekly Wanderer notices problems with the International walkway

Hey everybody. Hope you have all had a good week. Your Man retreated from campus last weekend and was able to spend some quality time with Mom Stroller and his friends. I returned Sunday afternoon feeling good and rejuvenated for the new week.

Before I begin this week's main topic, I've noticed the number of bikers around campus has increased. Your Man was walking home after supper one night last week and was nearly plowed over by a bunch of those biker dudes. Maybe the University should just put up stop lights at each of our complex sidewalk intersections to limit the number of near-disasters caused by the biker dudes on our campus.

Let's talk International Plaza. Personally, Your Man thinks that all around the Plaza looks pretty cool. It's a nice addition to the campus. It's pretty neat the way those big spotlights light up the Plaza at night. Based on the way those lights shine and light up the air, from a distance it makes our campus look like Hollywood to those cars that come in from St. Joseph for happy hour.

I noticed yesterday that the granite letters were finished. But when is the wall going to be finished? Don't tell me since the construction guys worked their butts off, allowing the University to dedicate the project on Walkout Day, that now they can take a huge break like the rest of the construction workers on campus and finish it by next year's Walkout Day.

I understand we had a couple little flag problems, too. First of all, Northwest raised the Dominican Republic flag. But Northwest doesn't have any Dominican Republics. I guess the University messed up and was supposed to raise the Dominica flag. Ops.

I also thought the Plaza was supposed to have 55 flags. It only has 54. Let's discuss

design, shall we? Why didn't we put the American flag in that big circular miniforest or something? Northwest is located in the United States and the American flag represents a majority of the student population. If it was placed in the big circular miniforest, it would have been isolated from the other flags in sort of a centralized position on the Plaza. I don't know. That was just an idea from Yours Truly.

While we're on the subject of that miniforest on the Plaza, I like it, but I think I would've rather seen a fountain. It would have been cool to see water shooting up in the night air with those bright spotlights. It's just a thought to put in the back of the higher powers' minds when they want to renovate the Plaza some day.

The only problem I can see with turning it into a fountain, though, is that we'd probably have some jerks on this campus that would feel the need to vandalize it or relieve themselves in it and ruin it for everybody. For those of you who are reading this and often do things like that, Your Man has two words — grow up.

The 'Cats did it again last Saturday. They whumped the Southern Baptist Bearcats, 52-17. That's what they get for trying to copy our mascot. Now, we've got Pittsburg State coming in here this weekend. Fans, Your Man suggests you get there early, 'cause this one will be packed. Look for a hard-fought game.

Hopefully, our main man Chris Greisen will connect with Tony "the Tiger" Miles a few times and we can send the Gorillas running back to their cage.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Missourian.

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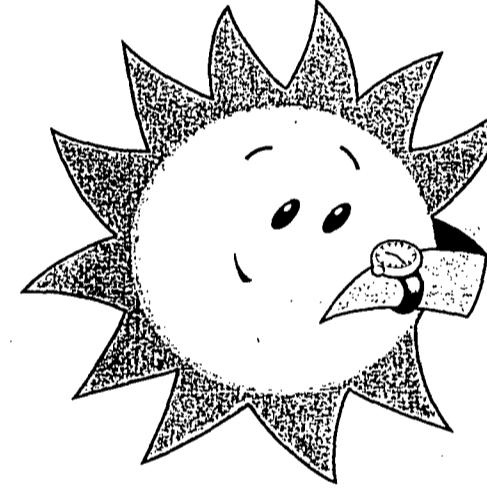
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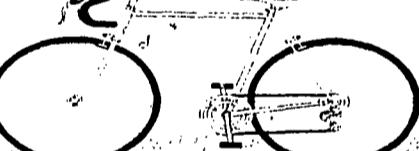
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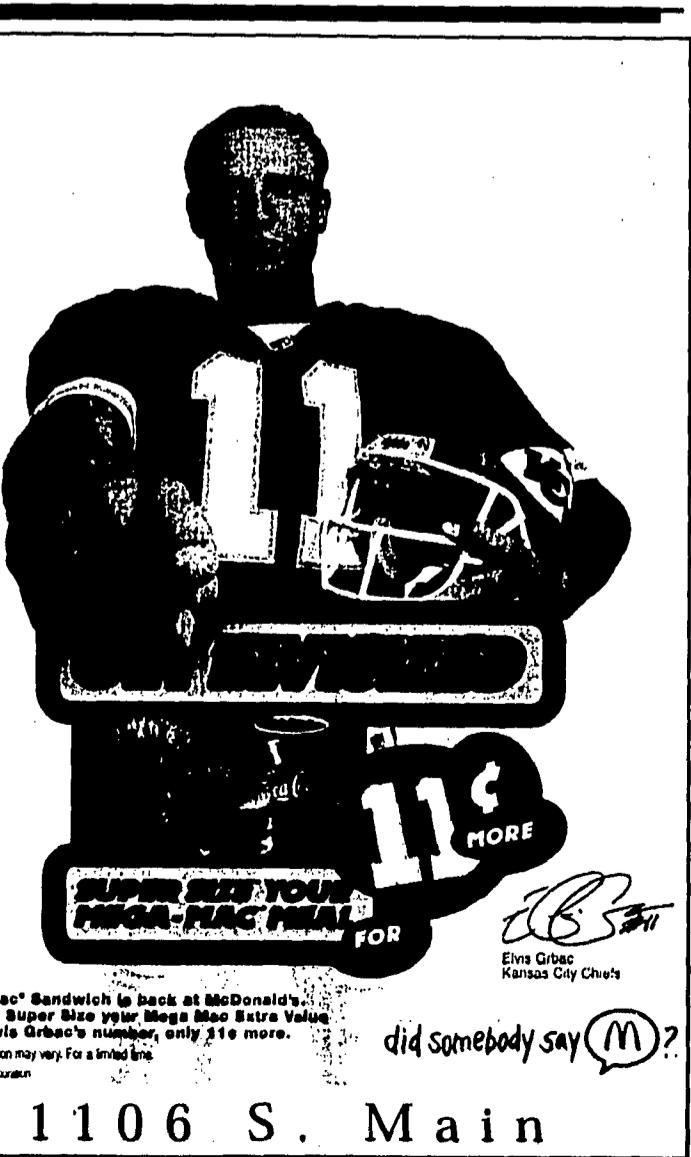
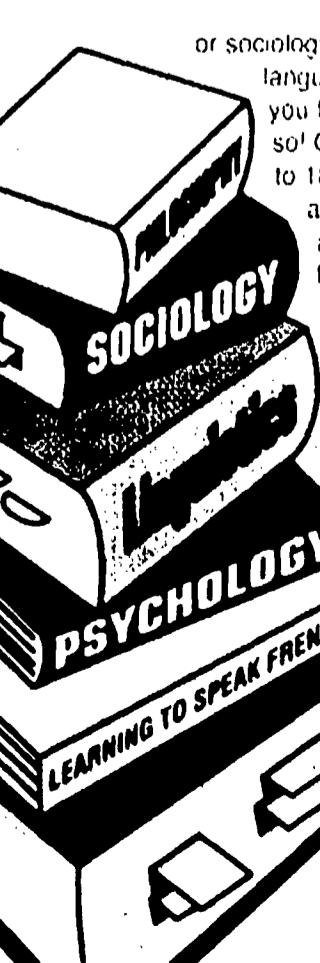
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Features



Birthright discusses pregnancy alternatives

by Heather Butler
Features Editor

Students who find themselves pregnant may think having a child is impossible. Birthright and many other organizations prove it isn't.

Birthright was brought to Maryville 15 years ago by Julia Prokes, Nancy Stoll, Mary Kay Sullivan and Sister Angela Fitzpatrick.

Birthright's philosophy states "it is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born."

The volunteers at Birthright give women someone to talk to if they don't have anywhere else to turn or are afraid to tell their boyfriend, husband or parents.

"If a girl comes in here, I talk about the situation with her a little," Birthright volunteer Charlotte Dunn said. "We talk about her finances and if she doesn't have the money I show her all of the organizations that are there to help her."

The next step is for the pregnant woman to decide if she is going to keep the baby or not. If she decides to have the child, Birthright is there for her so she doesn't feel alone.

"She needs to think about it first so she makes the right decision," Dunn said. "Then we have a long talk about what she is going to say to her boyfriend and parents."

If the woman has no one to turn to, Birthright volunteers refer the woman to Lighthouse in Kansas City, Mo.

Lighthouse is a crisis pregnancy center and adoption center for young women during unplanned pregnancies. Lighthouse lets pregnant women live at the crisis center during their pregnancies.

The center has a pool, field trips for the women, provides games and lets women be around others in similar situations.

Women who live at the Lighthouse during their pregnancies may have phone calls, family and friends visit and may go home on the weekends and holidays if they choose.

It is not necessary to live at Lighthouse. A woman may still receive the free birth privileges while living at home.

Lighthouse has its own medical clinic staffed with qualified physicians and nurses. They deliver the baby at a nearby medical research center.

"Women need to be aware of what is available to them," Dunn said. "We give them a place where they can confide their problems and also receive help with clothes, diapers and the option to keep their baby."

Birthright keeps information private as well. No one has access to the information shared when they come in to talk.

"The most important thing about this place is that it is confidential," Dunn said. "If someone's mom or boyfriend calls to find out anything about the visit they will not have access to that information."

Birthright operates on volunteers and donations. Volunteers are welcome anytime. There is a training session involved that explains what Birthright is about. To volunteer either call the office or go in and speak to one of the other volunteers. The address is 1241/2 E. Third Street and the number is (660) 582-8604. The hotline number is 1-800-530-4500.



Splitting time between going to school full-time and raising a child, Bryce and Brandi Kemper focus their attention on the most important thing in their lives: their son Braydn. Bryce and Brandi are an example for all college students that continuing an education and raising a child at the same time can be accomplished.

Mike Ransdell/Chief Photographer

Baby Demands Change of Focus

Married students quickly learn how to juggle classes, homework, jobs, family when raising a child

by Kimberly Mansfield
Missourian Reporter

Between classes and all of the activates students participate in, not to mention homework, finding time for yourself is nearly impossible, let alone concentrating on another individual. But what if that individual was entirely dependent on you for everything?

A load of classes and homework is not all students who are parents have to worry about. Children depend on their parents for everything: food, water, cleanliness, being changed and entertainment, not to mention health and safety.

Financial aspects also have to be considered. Children are expensive. Diapers and formula are not a one-time expense and are not cheap items.

Students who are parents also have to consider what to do with the child while they are in class, and the time of the day that would be best to leave the child in the care of another. Their list of daily worries is endless.

Merely having a baby as a young person provides statistical barriers to overcome. Of young, unmarried women who unintentionally become pregnant, 50 percent of the pregnancies will end in abortion according to national statistics provided by the Campaign for our Children organization.

Bryce Kemper, undecided major, and Brandi Kemper, accounting major, are both 19-year-old sophomores taking 12 credit hours and tackling parenthood. Braydn, their 9-month-old son, was unplanned.

"Prom-night special, we think," Brandi said. "I didn't know I was pregnant when I came to college. We didn't even know I was pregnant until I was seven months along."

Not only did the Kempers have to deal with having a child so young, they also faced the possible death of their



Mike Ransdell/Chief Photographer
Exhausted from a full day of classes, Brandi Kemper comes home to her son Braydn who is always full of energy. Brandi and her husband Bryce Kemper have opposite class schedules so that one of them will always be with Braydn.

child before it was even born.

Brandi had to have an emergency Caesarian section two weeks before Braydn's official due date. The umbilical cord had wrapped around Braydn's neck and was tightening. Braydn was being strangled.

"We thought he was going to die," Bryce said. "He had a bruised up face and everything."

After Braydn was born, everything turned out fine. Things have fallen into place well for the Kempers, even though some big adjustments had to take place.

Brandi takes classes in the morning and Bryce takes his classes in the afternoon so they don't have to leave Braydn with anyone. Brandi thinks this is the best alternative.

"We get to raise him, potty train him and not have to worry about a sitter doing it," Bryce said. "When he starts school we'll be out of school, so it's kinda neat how we'll be able to raise him."

The Kempers handle finances with

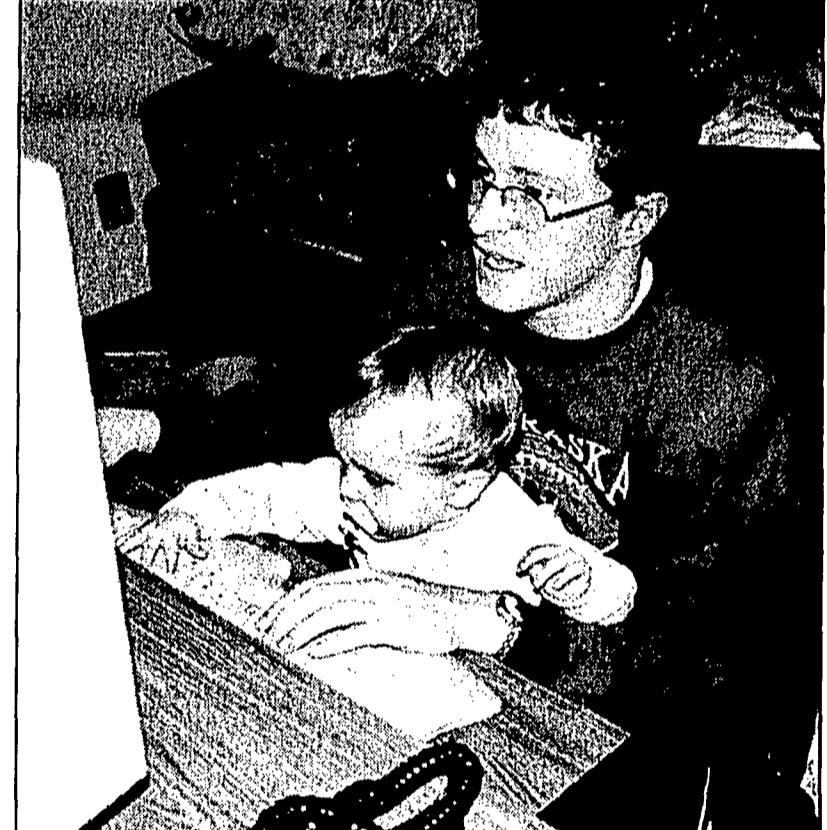
the help of grants and loans. They also receive government assistance through food stamps and housing. The Kempers work all summer to save up for the following year. They also go back to their hometown of Cameron once a month to work at Wal-Mart.

"The pros is obviously we had to get loans and we're going to be big time in debt when we get out of college, but it also beats one of us having to quit college to get a job to pay for him, and now we're going to both have good paying jobs," Bryce said.

Brandi and Bryce realized time had to be managed well to fit everything in. Neither have time for clubs or organizations outside of going to classes.

"We just kinda have to plan," Brandi said. "We just have to set our schedule, like this night we're going to watch TV for this amount of time, no matter what happens. Homework just usually happens."

The Kempers realize how lucky they are with things working out well for them.



Mike Ransdell/Chief Photographer
Bryce Kemper has a tough time typing his paper with Braydn's help. While Brandi is at school, Bryce often has to do his homework and entertain Braydn at the same time.

"We're pretty fortunate considering the situation we're in, having to go through college and everything," Brandi said.

Bryce acknowledged there are also disadvantages.

"The con is that you have to grow up real fast, but I don't regret it," Bryce said. "There's nothing more proud than

holding him that first time. You forget all about the cons."

The Kempers encourage students who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant to stay in school.

"I would tell anybody who got pregnant in college not to drop out," Brandi said. "It's just not worth it. You can do it somehow. It's better in the long run."

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Welcome to

OUR HOUSE



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The Pittsburg State Gorillas will invade Rickenbrode Stadium Saturday in a face off between the two MIAA powerhouses. It will be a rematch of last year's Bearcat victory in the "Jungle."

Now, we welcome them to Our House.

Northwest Bearcats vs. Pittsburg Gorillas

Powerful 'Cats' offense should beat Pitt State

Over the weekend I saw a commercial advertising Pittsburg State, and it mentioned that Gorilla football games are "out of control." The only thing that is going to be out of control when the Gorillas come to Rickenbrode Stadium to take on Northwest Saturday, will be the Bearcats explosive offense.

The 'Cats have whipped on all of their opponents this season. They are averaging about 40 points per game and well on pace to break the MIAA record for average scoring in a season. The 'Cats have scored in all but one quarter this season. In fact, the 'Cats opened the season by scoring in 23 consecutive quarters. The 'Cats have been held under 40 points only once this year and are leading the conference in total offense, averaging 504.7 yards per game.

Are you prepared for the ride back to Pittsburg yet, Gorillas? I'll continue anyway.

The 'Cats' offensive strike starts at the quarterback position. Senior quarterback and Harlon Hill candidate Chris Greisen has been executing at an enormous level this season. He ranks second in the nation with a 174.2 passing efficiency and averaging 275 yards per game in total offense.

The only thing the Gorillas have going for them is the fact that the last time they left the "jungle" to visit the 'Ville, it was a 40-0 loss for the Bearcats. The "Rickenbrode Rowdies" will be in full-force on Saturday to help dispose of that memory.

This time around the Gorillas are the underdog. Northwest 38, Pitt State 21.

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Northwest

Points: 49
Points allowed: 17.1
Total offense: 491.1
Rushing offense: 205
Passing offense: 286.1
Total defense: 301.6
Rushing defense: 120.9
Passing defense: 180.7
Time of possession: 30:33
3rd-down con: 46/90 (51%)
4th-down-con: 5/12 (42%)
Field goals: 6-7 (86%)

Top passer: Chris Greisen 177-114-10, 64.4 completion pct., 16 TDs
Top rusher: Derek Lane 84-544, 76 ypg, 9 TDs
Top receiver: Tony Miles 27-540, 77.1 ypg, 7 TDs
Top tackler: Aaron Crowe 54 total tackles, 8 TFL, 3 sacks; Brian Williams 45 total tackles, 6 TFL, 3 FRs

The No. 3 ranked 'Cats are scattered all over the Division II stat sheet, while this year, the Gorillas were missing from the Top 20 poll for weeks. Northwest is quickly becoming the powerhouse football team that Pitt State once was.

Unlike last year, this weekend's game probably won't be classified as "the game of the year," and it probably won't be as close as last year's 15-14 Bearcat victory.

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Northwest's Offense

Tight end - 82 Marc Maus
Left tackle - 58 Andy Erpelding
Left guard - 72 Chad Thompson
Center - 51 Steve Copperger
Right guard - 60 Sherman Wilderness
Right tackle - 68 Jay Eilers
Slot receiver - 10 Tony Miles
Wide receiver - 9 Willie Cohen
Quarterback - 14 Chris Greisen
Wide receiver - 8 Scott Courier
A running back - 32 Derek Lane
B running back - 45 Tucker Woolsey
Holder - 14 Chris Greisen
Placekicker - 20 David Purnell
Long snapper - 53 Aaron Becker

Northwest's Defense

Defensive end - 91 Adam Horn
Defensive tackle - 53 Aaron Becker
Noseguard - 93 Matt Voge
Defensive end - 92 Cole Sidwell
Rover - 44 Wes Simmons
Linebacker - 7 Aaron Crowe
Buck linebacker - 49 Brian Williams
Cornerback - 1 Charlie Pugh
Free safety - 12 Daniel Keys
Strong safety - 6 Greg Wayne
Cornerback - 23 Twan Young
Punt return - 10 Tony Miles
Kicks - 20 David Purnell
Punter - 39 Jeff LeBlanc
Kickoff return - 1 Charlie Pugh

Tale of the tape

Pittsburg State's Offense

Tight end - 80 Bryan Dunn
Left tackle - 77 Tyler Meuten
Left guard - 67 Patrick Cook
Center - 62 Brice Taylor
Right guard - 78 Matt Howard
Right tackle - 65 Brent Baker
Tight end - 89 Jim Golomski
Wide receiver - 17 Douglas Hix
Quarterback - 14 Zach Siegrist
A running back - 9 Anthony Chatmon
B running back - 24 Andrew Wilson
Holder - 31 Brian Moorman
Placekicker - 15 Josh Barcus
Long snapper - 66 Dustin Allison

Pittsburg State's Defense

Defensive end - 23 Dion Meneley
Defensive tackle - 60 Kyle Broyles
Defensive tackle - 99 Chad Webb
Defensive end - 94 Ben Peterson
OLB - 55 Gene Hensley
ILB - 44 Poncho Sales
ILB - 59 Wes Baker
OLB - 22 Ryan McGivern
Cornerback - 38 Jeremy Messerly
Free safety - 18 Andrew Poling
Cornerback - 8 Travis Stepps
Punt return - 17 Douglas Hix
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Pittsburg State

Points: 32.8
Points allowed: 13
Total offense: 372.2
Rushing offense: 245
Passing offense: 127.2
Total defense: 255.2
Rushing defense: 126.7
Passing defense: 128.5
Time of possession: 29:15
3rd-down con: 23/76 (30%)
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Field goals: 12-14 (86%)
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Top rusher: Andrew Wilson 75-370, 61.7 ypg, 2 TDs
Top receiver: Douglas Hix 20-426, 71 ypg, 5 TDs
Top tackler: Wes Barker 52 total tackles, 4 TFL, 1 sack; Ben Peterson 48 total tackles, 14 TFL, 7 sacks

Gorillas invade 'Ville, hope to put lights out

Bearcats? I thought we already played the Bearcats and beat them 42-7. As I recall they had more turnovers than a Baptist bake sale. We caught as many passes from their quarterback as they did. Then there was that Thursday night special with Central Missouri State. It reminded me of the pioneer days. We got 26 points and a mule in the second half against the "best" defense in the conference.

Oh, you mean Northwest Missouri State, or Bearcats II as we call them. If we knock their "earc" off, would that make them the Bats? At least then they'd have an original nickname, as well as company at the top of the conference.

When N-Messy-U turns the ball over, they'll find out about an offense that's churned out 115 points, so far, in the month of October. When we played Southern Baptist we got 35 points before the first quarter was over. What took you so long last Saturday, Northwest?

Based on several secret factors including the end of daylight savings time, the world economy and common opponents, I believe the following will come to pass.

This week the mighty Pittsburg State Gorillas travel to lovely Rickenbrode Stadium in Maryville to tame the 'Cats.

Northwest will face the winningest program in Division II college football. NMSU sounds like "I'm gonna mess you," which is exactly what the Gorillas are gonna do.

They're gonna mess up the 'Cats. Rickenbrode will become a broken road on the Bearcats' way to second place in the MIAA. The good news for Northwest is they'll have lots of company below Pitt State in the standings.

The Gorillas are in unusual territory for them. They've been out of the NCAA Division II top 20 for more than a month. They intend to remedy that

oversight this weekend in Maryville.

They will introduce the Bearcats' offense to Gentle Ben, Mean Gene, Bad Chad and the Brand Funk Railroad. And that's just the front line.

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I believe the final score ought to be Pitt State 37, Northwest 13, and that's being kind to the Bentcats' offense.

So, Burnedcats, beware. The Gorillas are coming. We'd put your lights out, if you had any.

Since you don't, we plan to light up the scoreboard on you. We believe it's better to light a Bearcat than curse the darkness.

See you on Saturday, Northwest. We'll be the ones in the end zone.

Charly Hensley is the Sports Editor for the Pittsburg State Collegio.

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Grant Sutton,
freshman red-shirt offensive linebacker



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Steve Sutton,
Brian and Grant Sutton’s father

by Mark Hornickel

Sports Editor

When the Bearcats take on Pittsburg State Saturday, a proud father will be watching from the stands as his two sons follow in his footsteps.

Steve Sutton was a defensive back at Northwest from 1967-70. Now, his sons Brian and Grant are Bearcats as well. Brian is a senior safety, while Grant is a red-shirt freshman offensive linebacker.

Football has been a large part of the Suttons’ lives. After Steve graduated from Northwest, he coached for six years, including three years at Maryville High School.

“For many, many years, it’s been every Friday night and Saturday afternoon,” Steve said. “We went to Bearcat games before the guys were even out there. So we spend a lot of time at football games.”

Although Brian enjoyed baseball when he was younger, he soon found himself wrapped up in football.

When it came time to choose a college, Brian chose Northwest over the University of Missouri-Columbia.

“I had planned on going to MU, and just walking on the baseball team or at least trying out,” Brian said. “But Coach Tjeerdsma one day was doing a little PR work. He said, ‘if you want to try being on our team, we’ll give you a little bit of money.’ I was like, ‘can’t pass that up.’ I never really thought I would ever play football in college, but I’m so glad I did. It’s one of the best decisions I’ve ever made.”

Grant has always enjoyed football and can remember playing tackle football with neighbors, without their parents knowing.

While Steve did not have a major influence on Brian’s decision to go to Northwest, Grant thinks their roles at Northwest may have influenced his decision more than he first realized.

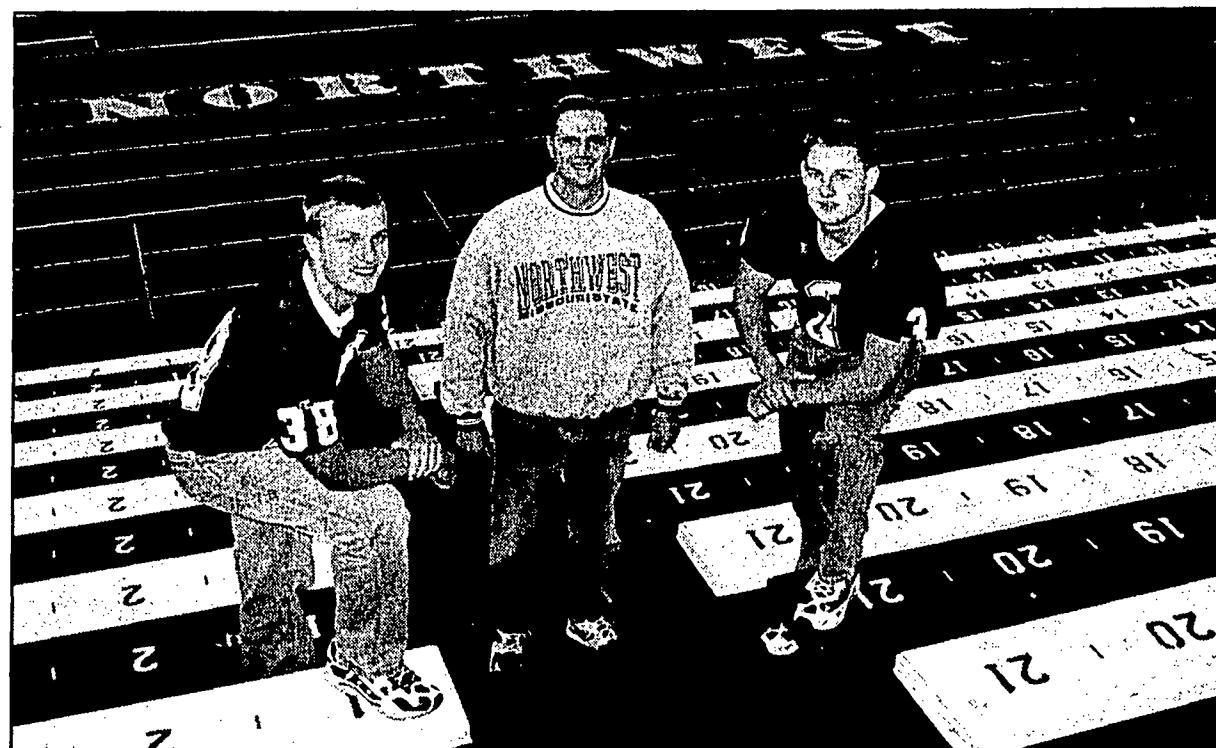
“Dad told him he’d cut him off if he didn’t go,” Brian said jokingly.

Grant thought about playing football at MIAA rival Truman State, but decided to stay close to home.

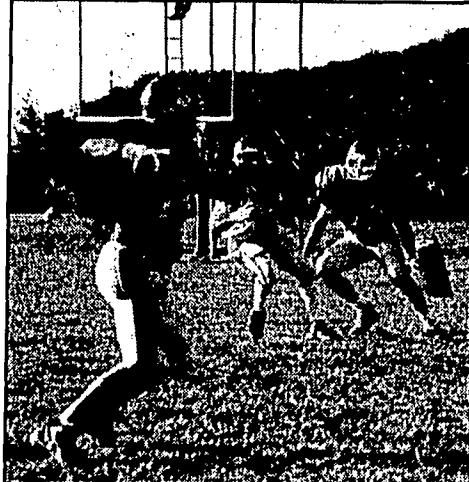
“Growing up here and playing football out here, a lot of people know who I am,” Grant said. “It’s going to be fun going for four more years, or five more years. You can’t pass it up, playing for a team like Northwest.”

After being a key player at Maryville High School last year, Grant has spent his first season at Northwest watching games from the sidelines as a red-shirt freshman. Yet he enjoys it when other players compliment him in practice, knowing he will get his chance some day.

“It’s really difficult,” Grant said. “We were talking the other day; it’s



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Bearcat safety Brian Sutton, No. 3 (top), charges toward the end zone after intercepting Missouri Western quarterback Kasey Waterman. Brian returned the interception for a 69-yard touchdown. Grant Sutton, No. 33, (left), watches to see where backup quarterback Travis Miles is going to throw the ball in Wednesday’s practice.

like you go from stud to dud. You go from being one of the key contributors on the team to scout team. But sometimes as a freshman you think you’re unnoticed because you’re on the scout team. But when people notice you, it makes you feel pretty good, especially when you know you’re not getting in the game.”

Brian understands the frustration of a red-shirt season, especially since he was a red-shirt freshman that witnessed some of the ‘Cats unsuccessful years.

“With him being on the scout team, it’s kind of hard to really say much except ‘Keep your head up,

you’ll get your chance,’” Brian said. “Your freshman year is a long year when you’re getting red-shirted, especially if things go the way we want them to. That’s a 15-week season, plus the four weeks before. That makes for a really long season, especially when you know you’re never going to play in a game. Their best thing is a scrimmage once every four weeks.”

When game day arrives, it’s an all-day affair for the Sutton family, which also includes Steve’s wife Bonnie, and daughter Sundee, a Maryville High School freshman.

Prior to home games, the football

team eats breakfast together. The family normally does not see Brian or Grant until after the game, although Steve tries to call and talk to them a few minutes before.

“It’s kind of a full-day thing,” Brian said. “We usually go eat breakfast and then we go to Copp’s (Steve Coppinger) house and shoot pool and just kind of relax for a while. He’ll call me over there, or I’ll call him from over there, and we just talk for a few minutes.”

When Brian asked his father what the rest of the family does, Grant jokingly answered, “Get their game face on and go stare at the field.”

Grant and Brian both like to tease their dad about his pre-game antics.

“We’re looking out for special teams, kick PATs and stuff,” Brian said. “That’s like an hour and 10 minutes before the game. There will be like eight students there — same guys that are there every week — and then my dad will be on the other side, sitting there by himself. But he likes to be early to the games, see us warm up and stuff.”

As a father, it is important for Steve to help out his sons whenever he can. They often watch game film and Steve sometimes gives Brian and Grant a pep talk or discusses their mistakes with them.

“I can remember in high school, especially my freshman and sophomore year, after school he’d give me a pep talk and tell me what to do,” Brian said. “And now, he knows that I know what to do, so he doesn’t have to say as much. He doesn’t really say anything, just ‘Get in a zone, play hard.’ I know what he means.”

Steve coached Grant while he was a running back at Maryville High School, including 1996 when the ‘Hounds advanced to the state playoffs.

“He taught us a lot,” Grant said. “He was the type of coach that wouldn’t let you rest at all. It’s hard to complain to your dad, but it was fun to have him there alongside and help me out whenever I needed it.”

Not only does Steve try to teach his sons lessons about football, but lessons for life as well.

“I can’t give them many hints because they know so much more than when I was playing,” Steve said. “I try to impress upon them not to look back and wish they had done more. That goes more than just before the game. That’s in life, as far as working hard and preparing yourself.”

Rickenbrode Stadium has not changed much since Steve played there, but the Suttons said many things have changed about football at Northwest.

“Especially my class — the six or seven guys that are still here from the very beginning, when we were red-shirt freshmen — it’s more like a family atmosphere now, and that’s so cool because I’m such good friends with all of my friend’s parents and my parents are friends with their parents,” Brian said.

The Suttons are aware that their days of suiting up for a game will soon be over. However, they look forward to watching many more games.

“Once a Bearcat, always a Bearcat,” Steve said. “We’ll never stop going to Bearcat games. Everything will just be in a little different perspective.”